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U.S. Misstep on Bosnia Trips Up a Willing Kohl Washington Plays Down Significance Of Rebuff on Lifting Arms Embargo

Allied Fund For Russians Melts in Heat Of Recession

By Thomas L. Friedman... WASHINGTON — The Clinton administration acknowledged Wednesday that it would have to shrink from \$4 billion to \$1 billion the fund it proposed to help privatize Russian state enterprises...

By Elaine Sciolino... WASHINGTON — In a further sign of confusion in the Clinton administration's policy toward Bosnia, the United States is playing down the significance of a letter from President Bill Clinton to Chancellor Helmut Kohl...



Tsutomu Hata detailing his new Renaissance Party's platform at a Tokyo news conference Wednesday.

Japanese Rebels Unveil Their New Party

By T. R. Reid... TOKYO — Pledging to "bring Japanese politics back to life," defectors from Japan's scandal-tainted governing party officially formed a new political party on Wednesday and named it the "Shinseito," loosely translated as "Renaissance Party."

...The State Department spokesman, Mike McCurry, said the \$4 billion target simply could not be met. "Many governments are under serious financial constraints," he said.

...The letter included a sentence that the German leader assumed was a marching order to lobby the European Community to allow Bosnia's Muslims to arm themselves against the Bosnian Serbs and Croats.

...Even since the Europeans rejected the American plan to arm the Bosnian Muslims in May, the United States has taken a passive diplomatic role in the Bosnia crisis. The administration has no intention of initiating a new round of consultations on its plan in light of the proposal to withdraw Bosnia, and Mr. Clinton's indirect support for the plan in his letter to Mr. Kohl...

A Scathing Start to Senate Budget Debate

By Paul F. Horvitz... WASHINGTON — The antagonism of the two-party system were on full display Wednesday as the Senate debated deficit reduction and President Bill Clinton denounced a tax-free Republican alternative as "a real disservice to this country."

...The moves have raised concern in the Clinton administration, where officials say they are uncertain of Iraq's intentions. But intelligence officials have said the flurry of activity appears to reflect Baghdad's fears of a new Iranian attack rather than plans for an offensive strike.

Iraqis Are Mobilizing Troops Near Iran, U.S. Says

By Douglas Jehl... WASHINGTON — Iraq has moved troops close to the Iranian border and put its air defenses on high alert in its largest military mobilization since the Gulf War, U.S. officials say.

...Iran last month launched an air raid against Iraqi bases used by the Mujahiddin Khalq, the main Iranian opposition movement. And in the weeks since, Tehran has become ever more blunt in accusing Baghdad of complicity in the rebels' terrorist attacks, including a major raid on the giant Abadan oil refinery.

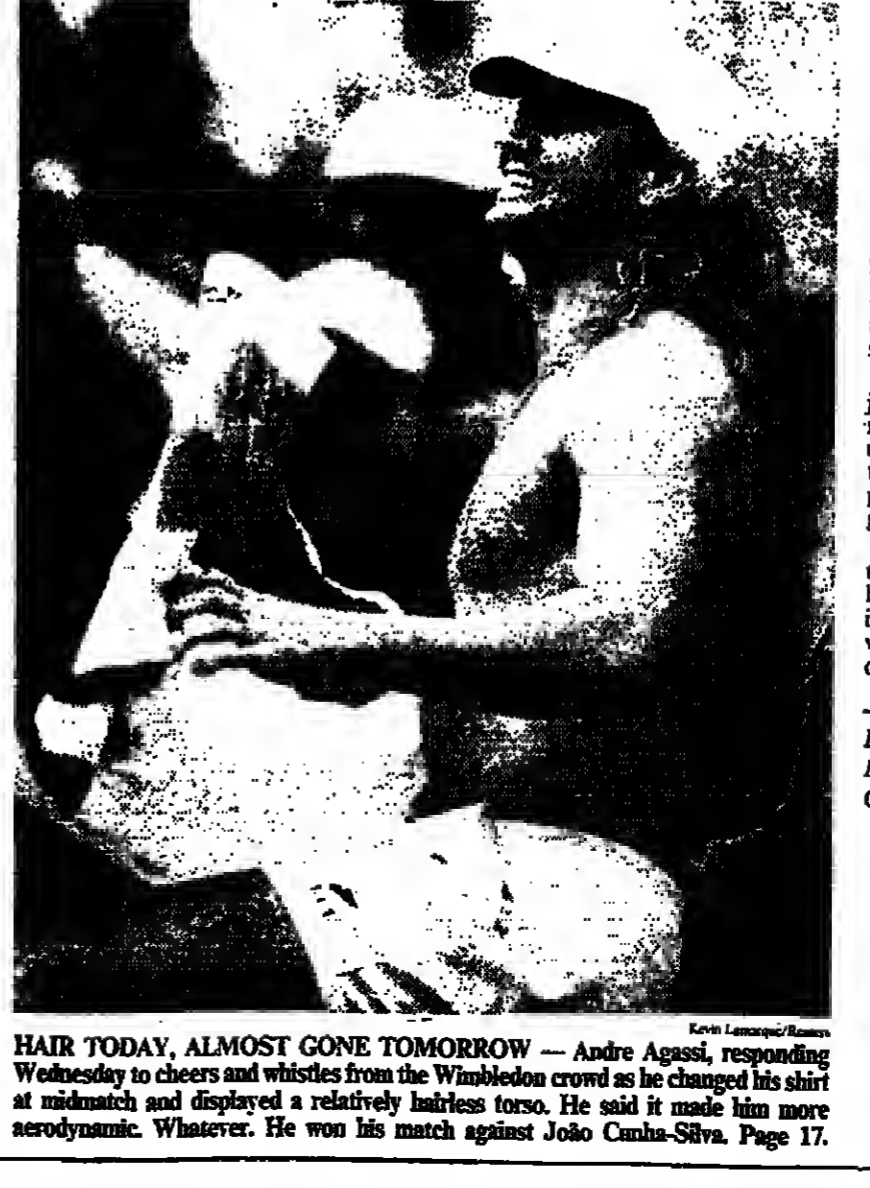
...The most recent incidents occurred Sunday when two U.S. Air Force F-4s twice reported contacts from Iraqi ground-based radars, a violation of United Nations rules prohibiting interference with the reconnaissance patrols.

NBA Players on HIV: What, Me Worry?

By Bill Brubaker... WASHINGTON — In the two seasons since Magic Johnson announced that he had contracted the AIDS virus, National Basketball Association players have attended AIDS education seminars, listened to Spide Lee, and the TV personality Arsenio Hall, called a toll-free hot line for counseling and received a novel gift from the players' union: a key chain that doubles as a condom holder.

...While many NBA players returned to their hotel rooms after games this season for a quiet evening with CNN or ESPN, others made arrangements to have sex with women they barely knew, just as they had before.

...And although some players volunteered to educate teammates on how the AIDS virus can be spread through unprotected sex, others viewed the disease with an air of brash, youthful invincibility.



HAIR TODAY, ALMOST GONE TOMORROW — Andre Agassi, responding Wednesday to cheers and whistles from the Wimbledon crowd as he changed his shirt at midmatch and displayed a relatively hairless torso. He said it made him more aerodynamic. Whatever. He won his match against Joao Cunha-Silva. Page 17.

U.S. Penalties Outrage Steelmakers In 20 Nations Trade Partners Agree: Tariff Rise Is 'Terrible' And 'Unacceptable'

WASHINGTON — From Europe to the Far East, reaction on Wednesday was sharply negative to the U.S. decision to apply trade penalties against steelmakers in 20 countries.

...The European Steel Manufacturers' Federation said the U.S. decision was based on "arbitrary calculations which have no basis in economic logic."

...The Commerce Department on Tuesday revised the duties on steelmakers from the countries it said are selling steel in the United States at below-market prices, and slapped 12 countries with duties for subsidizing steel.

...For Hoogovens NV, the tariffs were "bad news," a spokesman said. The company is the largest manufacturer of steel in the Netherlands, and 10 percent of 1992 exports went to the United States.

U.S. Space Station Saved by One Vote

WASHINGTON (Reuters) — The House of Representatives approved on Wednesday, by a one-vote margin, further spending for the proposed U.S. space station Freedom that supporters said was essential to manned space exploration.

Table with market data including Dow Jones (Down 30.72), Trib Index (Up 0.66%), and The Dollar exchange rates.



Nigerian General Voids Vote, Blocking Civilian Rule

By Kenneth B. Noble
New York Times Service

ABIDJAN, Ivory Coast — The Nigerian military government announced Wednesday that it was voiding the presidential elections held June 12, and it abandoned its promise to hand power back soon to elected civilians.

The announcement was made in a decree signed by Nigeria's military leader, General Ibrahim Babangida, who said, "These steps were taken to save our judiciary from being ridiculed and politicized locally and internationally."

But Western diplomats and opposition figures in Nigeria interviewed by telephone from here dismissed General Babangida's excuse for canceling the elections as duplicitous and an attempt to wrap in legal terms what is, in effect, an indefinite extension of military rule.

For one thing, critics note, the military authorities

tightly controlled virtually every aspect of the planned transition to civilian rule.

Not only did they limit the number of legal parties to two — the right-of-center Republican National Convention and the left-of-center Social Democracy Party — but they also created their names, wrote their party platforms, appointed senior party officials provided funds and even built thousands of party offices.

"The military has only themselves to blame for this mess," said a Western diplomat with extensive experience in West Africa. He, like many Nigerians, says an orderly transition to civilian rule was doomed from the beginning because the military authorities were not genuinely committed to the process.

There was no immediate reaction to the cancellation from Moshood K.O. Abiola, the candidate of the Social Democratic Party, who held a sturdy lead over his opponent, Bashir Tofa, of the National Republican Convention, before counting was halted last week by the National Electoral Commission.

In the brief announcement monitored here, General Babangida suspended the National Electoral Commission, which, since multiparty elections were first announced in 1986, has been the main governmental body responsible for restoring democracy.

The presidential elections held in Nigeria's 30 states involved chunks of land that are in many instances more populous and wealthy than many African nations. Roughly one out of every four black Africans is a Nigerian.

And although voter turnout was light by historical standards, there was no evidence of the violence and vote-rigging that marred the last round of balloting, nearly a decade ago. Foreign observers had generally described the elections as free and fair.

Nonetheless, the election results had been delayed following a spate of legal challenges in the courts. By most accounts, the most significant lawsuit was brought on behalf of the Association for a Better

Nigeria, a pressure group of wealthy businessmen, politicians and military officers who had led a highly visible campaign urging the General Babangida to remain in office at least another four years.

U.S. Calls Move 'Outrageous'

Steven A. Holmes of The New York Times reported from Washington:

The Clinton administration said the decision by Nigeria's military leaders to void the result of the elections was "outrageous," and suggested that Washington's \$22.8 million in military assistance to Nigeria was in jeopardy.

"The United States deplors the outrageous decision of Nigeria's military regime to annul the results of the June 12th presidential election and cancel the transition to elected civilian rule," a State Department spokesman, Michael McCurry, said during the daily news briefing.

WORLD BRIEFS

Vote Accord Eludes South Africans

JOHANNESBURG (Reuters) — South Africa's main black leaders agreed on some measures Wednesday to quell violence between their followers. But they were unable to resolve the date for the election, which the African National Congress and the white minority government have wanted to set for next April 27.

Nelson Mandela, the ANC president, and Chief Mangosuthu Buthe, leader of the Inkatha Freedom Party, told reporters that their nine-hour talks outside Johannesburg were "frank, meaningful and productive." A participant described the session as stormy.

In a joint statement issued after the meeting, the first from the two leaders in more than two years, they said they had agreed "to share joint platforms in strife-torn areas to bring about peace." But Mr. Mandela said that although they had discussed the "crucially important" issue of an election date at length, "it has not been possible for us to reach agreement."

Haitians Hit Obstacle in Peace Moves

WASHINGTON (Reuters) — Hopes of a quick settlement of Haiti's political crisis hit a major stumbling block Wednesday as the deposed President Jean-Bertrand Aristide demanded that talks with the country's military rulers focus on his own speedy return to power.

A statement from the government-in-exile said he would meet the military leader, Lieutenant General Raoul Cedras, only if the general agreed that the talks would center on Father Aristide's immediate return and the departure of the military high command and the police chief of Port-au-Prince.

As Haitians coped with the first day of a global oil and arms embargo designed to force the military from power, the exiled government's conditions threw into doubt whether General Cedras and Father Aristide could meet this weekend, as both the United States and the United Nations had hoped.

Shevardnadze Urges NATO Action

BRUSSELS (Reuters) — Eduard A. Shevardnadze, the leader of the Caucasian nation of Georgia, urged NATO on Wednesday to give immediate and practical assistance to end the conflicts in the former Soviet Union and to help create new armies.

Addressing the Council of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization during a two-day visit to Brussels, Mr. Shevardnadze said the situation had deteriorated and the West should intervene before it is too late.

"The newly independent states have been left alone facing myriad woes and threats, which when the Caucasus, Ukraine and the Baltics burst into flames, will spell immediate danger to the West," Mr. Shevardnadze said. He stressed strong and mobile NATO units that could operate under the auspices of the United Nations or the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe.

Bonn Approves Higher Fuel Taxes

BONN (Reuters) — Germany's governing center-right coalition approved two bills Wednesday that set off protest from business, labor and the opposition Social Democrats.

Party leaders of the coalition approved a tax on diesel and gasoline fuel. Industry condemned the tax, which would raise levies on gasoline by 16 pfennigs a litre and diesel fuel by 7 pfennigs as of Jan. 1. Diesel car taxes would go up by 7.5 Deutsche marks per 100 cubic centimeters of engine capacity.

Chancellor Helmut Kohl's cabinet agreed to send a bill to parliament to set up a health insurance plan for long-term nursing care, one of Mr. Kohl's favored projects.

Cairo Executes Muslim Extremist

CAIRO (AP) — A Muslim extremist convicted of killing a policeman was executed Wednesday, the second defendant to be hanged among 22 radicals sentenced to death by military courts.

Prison officials said Hassan Shehata Badran was put to death Wednesday at a Cairo prison. Mr. Badran was convicted of killing a police captain in a gun battle when police came to arrest him on other charges.

The execution was expected to exacerbate the battle between the government and Muslim radicals who want to turn Egypt into an Islamic state. More than 170 persons have been killed in the confrontation since early 1992. President Hosni Mubarak started referring cases involving radicals to military courts late last year. The next case, with 32 defendants, will start in a military court in Cairo on Saturday.

For the Record

Severe back pain that forced Jacques Delors, the EC Commission president, to cancel most of his appointments last week has also forced him to miss a session Wednesday in the European Parliament at which he was to discuss the results of the recent EC summit meeting in Copenhagen. The EC's trade and external relations commissioner, Hans van den Broek, stood in for Mr. Delors in Strasbourg. (Reuters)

TRAVEL UPDATE

Anaheim Backs New Disney Project

The Walt Disney Co. has received city approval for a \$2.75 billion resort and theme park near Disneyland in Anaheim, California.

The proposed resort would include 4,600 hotel rooms, a 5,000-seat amphitheater, a shopping center and Westcot Center, a theme park modeled after Disney World's Epcot Center in Orlando, Florida. Westcot would be built on Disneyland's existing 100-acre (40-hectare) parking lot, which would be replaced by parking garages. It would be the biggest expansion of Disneyland since the theme park was built 40 years ago.

The Anaheim city council voted unanimously to approve the project, which would bring in millions of dollars in tax revenues and create about 28,000 jobs. Disney's budget planners still must decide whether the project makes financial sense. (AP)

A strike by the Communist-led longshoremen's union paralyzed several French ports, including Le Havre, Marseille, Bordeaux and Nantes. The strike began Wednesday morning and blocked the departure of several boats from Marseille and Toulon to Corsica. Unions were to meet Thursday to decide whether to continue the stoppage. (Reuters)

Italy Goes After Hundreds Of Calabria Gang Suspects

The Associated Press
CATANZARO, Italy — The police arrested at least 173 suspects and hunted for scores more Wednesday in raids aimed at cracking cocaine rings and extortion rackets run by the 'Ndrangheta, Calabria's organized crime group.

The Italian news agency ANSA reported that 280 arrest warrants had been issued, some on different charges for the same person, so the exact number of suspects was not immediately known. Charges included drug trafficking and interference in bidding for public contracts.

Italian state radio reported that a few of the arrests were made in Switzerland, but no details were available.

AGI, another Italian news agency, said those arrested in Calabria, mostly in the Catanzaro area, included two brothers who ran a travel agency that offered regular bus service from Calabria, the toe of the Italian peninsula, to Switzerland.

ANSA reported that the police discovered that arms and drugs were shipped to Switzerland.

Among the business owners who were threatened to make them pay "protection" money were car dealers, ANSA said. Among the public works projects where construction companies were forced to pay kickbacks to get work was the restoration of the square in front of Catanzaro's courthouse, ANSA reported.

The police suspect that many of those rounded up in the raids were involved in murderous fights for power among rival crime families in the area in 1990 and 1991.

U.S. Tries to Stop Russia-Libya Deal

Sanction Threat on Space Fuel

By Michael R. Gordon
New York Times Service

WASHINGTON — The United States is trying to block the shipment of rocket-fuel ingredients from Russia to Libya, according to U.S. officials.

With a deteriorating economy, Russia has been increasingly dependent on military sales to earn hard currency.

The U.S. administration says stopping the spread of weapons is a high priority, but Washington wants to prop up President Boris N. Yeltsin and is trying to win congressional support for \$2.5 billion in aid to Russia.

Thus President Bill Clinton has sent a letter to Mr. Yeltsin, warning that Russian companies face economic sanctions unless they halt such exports, U.S. officials said. As an inducement, Mr. Clinton indicated, Russian companies could share the work on the multibillion-dollar space station and launch U.S. satellites for profit.

Administration officials met Tuesday at the State Department with Deputy Prime Minister Alexander N. Shokhin of Russia to discuss curbs on missile-technology exports. The State Department did not publicize the meeting.

Officials declined to say whether they had made any progress with Mr. Shokhin.

Moscow's arms sales have been an increasing worry for Washington. Russia has sold Flanker MiG-27 aircraft and SA-10 surface-to-air missiles to China, and three diesel submarines to Iran.

Russia has not joined the Missile Technology Control Regime, an international agreement that restricts the technology sales. But Moscow

insists it is observing the controls. Despite these assurances, the Bush administration imposed sanctions in 1992 on Glavkosmos, the Russian space organization, after it determined that Moscow's sale of rocket technology to India violated the controls.

Under U.S. law, trade sanctions must be applied against companies that violate the controls in the missile accord. In addition, an amendment to the Freedom Support Act providing aid to Russia calls for development assistance to be cut off if Moscow violates the controls. Under the law, Mr. Clinton can issue a waiver, but such a move would be an implicit recognition that helping Russia is a higher priority than weapons controls.

U.S. officials familiar with the shipment to Libya say the episode began when Pavovs, a Moscow company, exported 80 tons of ammonium perchlorate. The chemical can be used to make solid rocket fuel and, according to the Missile Technology Control Regime, its sale is restricted.

According to U.S. intelligence, the deal was brokered by Serbian middlemen, who are playing a greater role in military sales to earn hard currency and circumvent the United Nations embargo on Serbia. "Middlemen like political turmoil and loose controls," an administration official said. "For them, Serbia is a nice place to try to operate out of."

Administration officials said customs documents were prepared to disguise the destination of the shipment, but Washington learned that the chemical was destined for Libya by way of Ukraine. After a tip from Washington, Ukraine, seized the shipment.

Feud 2: U.S. Presses Moscow To Drop Rocket Sale to India

Washington Post Service

MOSCOW — A dispute between Russia and the United States over Russia's sale of rocket engine technology to India has flared again, endangering the two nations plans to cooperate in space and souring the prospects for Prime Minister Viktor S. Chernomyrdin's visit to Washington, officials said Wednesday.

Foreign Minister Andrei V. Kozyrev said that "very intensive consultations" were taking place now, up to the presidential level here and including Vice President Al Gore in Washington, to try to resolve the problem.

Deputy Prime Minister Alexander N. Shokhin, noting that Russia's relations with India as well as a \$400 million contract were at stake, said last week that Russia was "not prepared to talk in the language of ultimatums."

The Clinton administration believes that the sale of rocket engines to India violates international agreements on preventing the spread of missile technology. The administration is particularly concerned about Russia's agreement to sell production know-how and other technology along with the rockets themselves, officials said.



Radovan Karadzic, left, and Slobodan Milosevic, arriving for a new round of talks aimed at halting the fighting in Bosnia.

Mediators Cool to New Serb-Croat Plan

By Jonathan Randall
Washington Post Service

GENEVA — The two international negotiators trying to salvage peace in Bosnia expressed reservations on Wednesday about Croatian and Serbian proposals for carving up the embattled former Yugoslav republic into three loosely federated ethnic states.

After meeting with President Slobodan Milosevic of Serbia and President Franjo Tudjman of Croatia, Lord Owen, the European Community negotiator, said "they rather disappointed us in terms of not coming up with anything very specific on the maps" for the proposed Bosnian federation's borders.

With his United Nations colleague, Thorvald Stoltenberg, at his side, Lord Owen added, "maybe it's a good idea because some of the things we heard we didn't like."

He was speaking at the UN European headquarters after the first detailed presentation of the revised plan for Bosnia unveiled here last week by Mr. Milosevic and Mr. Tudjman in the presence of the Bosnian president, Alija Izetbegovic.

Notwithstanding Lord Owen's pessimistic statement, UN officials expressed satisfaction that the revised plan preserved some key constitutional provisions of the defunct UN-European Community peace plan that was to have divided Bosnia into 10 semiautonomous regions along largely ethnic lines.

Those provisions called for Bosnia's demilitarization, free and fair elections under UN supervision and thorough human rights monitoring.

Despite Lord Owen's low-key assessment, the international negotiators succeeded in persuading a seven-member delegation from the predominantly Muslim Bosnian government to meet Wednesday evening with Mr. Tudjman and Mr. Milosevic.

The Bosnian government delegation originally had instructions to avoid direct meetings with the Bosnian Croatian and Serbian representatives as well as their mentors, Mr. Milosevic and Mr. Tudjman.

Nonetheless, conference sources played down differences between the Bosnian delegation and the other three members of Bosnia's collective presidency, who stayed behind in Sarajevo. They were President Alija Izetbegovic, Vice President Ejup Ganic, and the army commander, Rasim Delic.

The sources said the apparent split in the 10-member Bosnian presidency at this point in fact may have more to do with tactics than substance.

The Bosnians "don't want the world to know they've come to surrender their country before knowing the terms," said a conference source, as if to suggest that any definitive break in Bosnian government ranks was still premature.

Despite what Lord Owen decried as a "certain vagueness about the maps," he said that Mr. Milosevic and Mr. Tudjman "really want to negotiate the maps with all three" Bosnian parties.

Conference sources said that no further meetings were scheduled Thursday. But the Bosnian Serb leader, Radovan Karadzic, who arrived Wednesday from Belgrade, was expected to stay in Geneva. There were reports that his Bosnian Croatian counterpart, Mate Boban, might fly in for the day.

Even if Mr. Boban and Mr. Karadzic were here, diplomatic observers doubted that the Bosnian government delegation would agree to see them, barring unforeseen developments.

France Bolsters Force

France will send 600 more soldiers to Bosnia to help defend protected zones, including Sarajevo, Prime Minister Edouard Balladur said Wednesday. The Associated Press reported from Paris.

Foreign Minister Alain Juppé had said earlier in the day that France was ready to "set an example" in the former Yugoslav republic.

Morillon to Leave Bosnia

General Philippe Morillon of France is about to be replaced as commander of UN troops in Bosnia and will move to another post, the French defense minister, François Léotard, said Wednesday, Reuters reported.

Mr. Léotard also said that a French general, Jean Cot, would replace Sweden's Lars-Eric Wahlgren as commander of UN peace-keeping forces in the former Yugoslavia.

Iraqis Doubt U.S.-Hailed 'Opposition'

By Caryle Murphy
Washington Post Service

BAGHDAD — An Iraqi opposition group that recently gained an endorsement by the Clinton administration appears to be little known here and to lack the authority or organization to influence any government that might succeed President Saddam Hussein.

That is the view expressed by many Iraqis and foreign diplomats.

The group, the Iraqi National Congress, is the best-organized political force among a myriad of exile groups. But only its Kurdish leaders are well known.

Moreover, the widespread sentiment in Baghdad is that the entire opposition is a largely feeble movement that has failed to create a unified anti-government front with a genuine political program or a plan to replace President Saddam.

Envoys of the Iraqi National Congress, first received by James A. Baker 3d a year ago, when he was secretary of state, got even more visible U.S. backing in April when they met Vice President Al Gore, Secretary of State Warren M. Christopher and President Bill Clinton's national security adviser, W. Anthony Lake.

Since then, Mr. Christopher has cited the U.S. embrace of the opposition group as a major accomplishment of Clinton-era foreign policy.

To be successful, any opposition movement must win Baghdad's residents on its side. The capital city is home to about a quarter of the country's 18 million people. Its residents, predominantly members of the Sunni Muslim ruling faction, include about a million Shiite Muslims and an equal number of Kurds.

An accurate polling of public opinion is impossible in this police

state. But there are opportunities to discuss such matters in private with some individuals.

None of the Iraqis questioned spoke favorably of the foreign-based opposition groups, including the Iraqi National Congress.

The groups are dismissed as irrelevant to events here, or as led by paid agents of Western or Arab intelligence agencies. This is an accusation that saps their legitimacy among strongly nationalist Iraqis.

This charge is standard government propaganda, but many Iraqis seem to agree with it. "Why should I support someone living outside who doesn't share my suffering, who couldn't even organize a strike inside Iraq?" an Iraqi asked.

Another said: "They are all from the regime. They don't know persecution, and they were from the privileged class."

Even those who have many friends among the exiled activists question their integrity and cite their political inexperience.

"I know most of them," said an Iraqi intellectual who is critical of President Saddam. "They were my close friends. But for me and for the others, we don't give any consideration to such opposition. Believe me. Now, it's impossible for people to respect a position that depends on foreigners, whether an enemy or not."

Several Baghdad-based diplomats said they could not imagine the Iraqi National Congress or any other such group being in a position to rule Iraq after President Saddam.

Still, indicating a deep desire here for political change, many Iraqis said they managed, despite government radio jamming, to listen to clandestine broadcasts of the Iraqi National Congress from London and Kurdistan and of other exile groups in Saudi Arabia and Iran.

Jackson in Libya, Ali in Iran

TUNIS — The Reverend Jesse L. Jackson is visiting Tripoli and has had talks with Libyan officials, the official Libyan press agency, JANA, reported.

Mr. Jackson arrived in Tripoli on Monday, met an unidentified deputy foreign minister and visited a memorial to victims of the U.S. air raid on Libya in 1986, the agency added.

Muhammad Ali, meanwhile, has arrived in Tehran on his way to Baghdad to mediate the release of prisoners remaining from the 1980-88 Iran-Iraq war. Iran's official press news agency, IRNA, said on Wednesday. It said the former heavyweight champion, making his second visit to Iran since May, arrived Tuesday night and that he would stay in Iran for three days before setting out on his mediation mission to Baghdad.

Muhammad Ali, who converted to Islam and changed his name from Cassius Clay after becoming world champion in the 1960s, stayed two weeks in Iran last month.

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POLITICAL NOTES

A Small Jobs Bill, Hardly 'Son of Stimulus'

WASHINGTON — As President Bill Clinton's ill-fated \$16 billion package to stimulate the economy fades in memory, the Senate has approved by voice vote a far smaller bill that has fresh financing for summer jobs and child immunization.

The supplemental appropriations bill is a diminutive orphan of the original stimulus package, which was withdrawn on April 21 after a Republican filibuster. The new \$1.9 billion bill is not proposed as an economic stimulus because it includes a few million dollars more in cuts than in added expenditures, but it will bring some relief to hard-pressed cities.

The bill provides \$200 million in Justice Department grants to local governments to hire more police officers and expand local law-enforcement programs; \$360 million in financial aid to students; \$175 million in loan guarantees for small businesses; and \$200 million in summer jobs, to create 160,000 nationwide. But the lion's share of the money will go to the military, with \$750 million for the Somalia operation.

Although support for the measure was bipartisan, Democrats largely expressed disappointment with the bill while Republicans praised it.

"It's better than nothing, but it's not the son of stimulus," said Senator Harry Reid, a Democrat, who complained that cities would receive funds too late in the summer to plan an adequate summer jobs program.

Senator Ted Stevens, Republican of Alaska, said the Senate's decision to reject more deficit spending and pass a more modest measure showed that "Congress has gotten the message: We have to make cuts first." (NYT)

Aspin Seeks Compromise Plan on Gay Cuts

WASHINGTON — Defense Secretary Les Aspin has thrown his support behind a compromise proposal that would allow homosexuals to serve in the military as long as they kept their sexual orientation private, defense officials said.

The proposal would end the practice of questioning recruits about their sexual orientation and aggressively rooting out homosexuals.

At the same time, it would prohibit military personnel from "declaring" their homosexuality or engaging in homosexual conduct on or off base. In that respect, the proposal marks a retreat from President Clinton's pledge to end discrimination against homosexuals and reflects intense opposition on the part of senior military leaders and lawmakers to lifting the ban.

A senior administration official said Tuesday that Mr. Clinton had not yet seen the proposal and wanted "to hear the secretary explain the implementation, how this would work in the real world." The official added that Mr. Clinton's pledge to lift the ban on homosexuals in the military was "not necessarily incompatible" with the language of Mr. Aspin's proposal. (NYT)

Quote / Unquote

Henry Leon Ritzenthaler, 55, after The Washington Post made public that he was apparently Mr. Clinton's half-brother, on why he had not telephoned the White House: "I would feel like I'd be invading his privacy, and he's a busy man, and I don't think he's got time. If he takes time out himself and gives a few minutes, that's—that's quite all right, but for me to call him, he'd be in some kind of conference with somebody, and that's not fair for me to break in and talk to the man." (NYT)

Away From Politics

• The nation's largest for-profit hospital company has charged Medicare at least \$1.1 million for alcoholic beverages, ad campaigns, entertainment, employee scholarships, cafeteria subsidies and other expenses that congressional auditors deem "unallowable and questionable." The charges by Hospital Corp. of America are part of a pattern by the hospital industry of overbilling Medicare, according to a report by the General Accounting Office.

• A gunman fired 10 to 20 shots at a crowded swimming pool in southeast Washington, wounding his children while scores of other youngsters scrambled for cover. None of the children, aged 5 to 14, was severely wounded, the police said. They said they knew of no motive for the shooting.

• The Vatican says that a permissive society has to share responsibility for child sex abuse by Roman Catholic priests. The Vatican spokesman, Joaquin Navarro-Valls, spoke after Pope John Paul II wrote to U.S. bishops about a scandal that has cost the U.S. church a reported \$400 million in damages and severely tarnished its image. "One would have to ask if the real culprit is not a society that is irresponsibly permissive, hyperinflated with sexuality [and] capable of creating circumstances that induce even people who have received a solid moral formation to commit grave moral acts," he said.

• The widow of the only serviceman to fly both bombing missions over Hiroshima and Nagasaki won a survivor's pension for her husband's radiation exposure. Jacob Beser died at 71 on June 17, 1992, of multiple myeloma, a bone cancer that attacked his spine, Sylvia Beser said. She filed a claim that her husband's death was service-related.

• A 17-year-old New York City student was stabbed in the stomach and critically wounded after confronting another student who had squatted him with a water gun outside Forest Hills High School in Queens, known for its high academic standing. Edwin Correa, a senior, was taken to a hospital and he underwent surgery.

• An inmate who says he is being denied parole because he claimed he sold marijuana to the former vice president, Dan Quayle, has gotten a federal court to at least listen. Brett Kimberlin contends that the U.S. Parole Commission acted vindictively and illegally. He wants the 6th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals to free him from prison in Memphis, Tennessee. (WP, Reuters, AP, NYT)

Gang Warfare Blight Spreads to Middle America

By Gary Lee
Washington Post Service

WICHITA, Kansas — Brad Carey can pinpoint the time that urban America's most dreaded scourge arrived here.

It was in December 1989, when a young man was spotted selling crack outside a squat tenement on the northeast side, the Wichita police officer recalled. Identifying himself as a member of the Los Angeles-based Crips, the suspect warned police: "I'm a member of a group of others like him would follow, Mr. Carey said, 'but we thought that was all a lot of bluster.'"

They were wrong. In three years, the number of gangs marauding Wichita streets has burgeoned to 90, according to the police, and drive-by shootings have become commonplace. Last year, despite a massive crackdown against gang violence, there were 14 gang-related homicides.

Surrounded by miles of wheat farms and cattle ranches, Wichita is an overgrown town of 300,000. And there is one church for every 300 residents, sometimes as many as four in one block.

But Wichita also is the nation's ninth largest haven for gangs, according to a study last year by Pepperdine University. Long associated exclusively with major urban areas, gangs are expanding into the heartland. In 1991, the police reported 12

gang-related homicides in Omaha and eight in Oklahoma City.

"As far as street gangs are concerned," said Carl Upchurch, organizer of a major conference on the subject last month in Kansas City, Missouri, "middle America represents the new frontier."

Big-city gangs branched into Minneapolis, Denver and other medium-size cities in the late 1980s, largely in reaction to aggressive police tactics in Los Angeles and elsewhere, according to Mr. Upchurch and other experts.

The onslaught has caught Wichita off guard.

"People here are God-fearing," said the Reverend L.C. Drew, pastor of Grant African Methodist Episcopal Church. "They work hard at keeping this a calm place."

The quiet was broken on Easter Sunday 1990 when one gang member gunned down a rival at an amusement park in the first display of open gang warfare.

A few months later, in an isolated park on the city's edge, four local youths kidnapped, raped and stomped a young mother to death in what turned out to be an act of retaliation by members of the Insane Crips, a local gang.

"That was one of the biggest shocks the city ever had," said Cammie Funston, an administrator at Project Freedom, an anti-

gang community organization. "It woke me up to the fact that something around here had gone very wrong."

Since then, public gang feuding here has become more common. Initially motivated by the drug market, it now seems driven

In three years, gangs marauding Wichita have reached 90, and drive-by shootings have become common.

more by tit-for-tat violence, according to Kent Hanman of the police gang unit.

Last year, Wichita residents reported 237 robberies and other gang-related armed assaults. They also reported more than 300 drive-by shootings.

In one case recently, a gang leader answering a knock at the door of his motel room was shot in the mouth with a shotgun. In another, a gang member suspected of withholding money was burned repeatedly on the back with a clothes iron.

Police and the sheriff's department of surrounding Sedgewick County have joined to create special narcotics and gang units.

Project Freedom, founded by local community activists, declared its own grassroots war against gangs.

When the police realized that gang members were commuting from Los Angeles area, Tulsa, Oklahoma, and moving gangs here, they organized a regional anti-gang police network. Since then, out-of-town gang members largely have left town, but gang membership continues to grow. While big city gangs have chapters here, the police said, most of the city's 90 gangs are homegrown.

A head-on approach to the problem by the police has resulted in the arrest and conviction of several hundred gang members in three years. Nevertheless, membership has increased from 980 to 1,250 in that time, the police said.

Although initially composed almost exclusively of black males, the gangs now include whites, Hispanics, Asians and women, Mr. Carey said. The average gang age has dropped from 18 to 14.

Blacks make up about one-third of Wichita's population, and gangs affect nearly every black family in some way, said the Reverend T.L. Wade, pastor of New Jerusalem Baptist Church. "We used to consider gang members fringe elements," he said. "But now we recognize that they are our sons and nephews."

Vermont Listed As Endangered

Washington Post Service

MARLBORO, Vermont — The National Trust for Historic Preservation is worried that the entire state of rustic Vermont is in danger of succumbing to "sprawl-mart," the kind of uncontrolled development that has devoured much of the American landscape.

The trust announced Wednesday that it had designated all of Vermont as No. 1 on its annual list of "endangered" historic places.

The list of 11 sites also included Thomas Edison's laboratory-factory, in West Orange, New Jersey; all of central New Orleans; and the Brandy Station Battlefield in Culpeper County, Virginia, the site of the largest cavalry battle in the Civil War.

Vermont, from the French for Green Mountain, is a state of small towns. Its population is 562,758. The largest city, Burlington, has 39,000 people.

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Experts Say U.S. Fails Its Children

By Barbara Vobejda
Washington Post Service

WASHINGTON — The institutions and settings that should be helping young people — including families, schools and neighborhoods — are instead making it more difficult for many of them to become healthy and responsible adults, a National Research Council panel has reported.

A three-year study, conducted by the research arm of the National Academy of Sciences and made public this week, argues that the serious problems of American adolescents — which range from drug use to school failure, delinquency and violence — have grown to tragic proportions in part because of deteriorating environments in which young people are raised.

Of the many factors that shape the lives of teenagers, family income is most powerful, the report said. Citing a "severe" decline in economic security, the report said the median real income of families headed by a parent under 30 had dropped 32 percent since 1973.

In examining a variety of "settings" — neighborhoods, families, child welfare agencies, after-school programs, and the justice system — the panel found that all had "come under siege."

As a result, the study said, these institutions are failing to rescue young people who need help and, in many cases, are doing nothing to help them. The study also found that tracking programs, which work

against low-achieving students; a health-care system that excludes teenagers with serious health problems; the absence of any help for students moving from school to jobs and a justice system that fails to rehabilitate most offenders.

"All of these institutions are now under severe stress," said Joel F. Handler, professor of law at the University of California at Los Angeles, and chairman of the panel.

"As the fault lines widen, more and more young people are falling into the cracks."

The report contended that past studies have ignored the critical influence of these factors in explaining why so many teens get into trouble, focusing instead on individual behavior and characteristics.

But recent research has underscored the importance of context, showing, for example, that growing up in a poor neighborhood or being born to a teen mother worsens a young person's chances for success.

The 15 panelists, including some leading social-science researchers, made it clear that children who are poor and must deal with discrimination are most at risk. But they also stated that no young person is doomed. "For example," they said, "a young person who spends some time in a single parent household. While it did not recommend specific policies to improve the lives of adolescents, the study argued generally for more programs for tracking, care and training and also job opportunities.

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Talks Over Hong Kong End on an Acrimonious Note

By Kevin Murphy International Herald Tribune

HONG KONG — Important negotiations over the future of Hong Kong ended in acrimony Wednesday, leaving the British government facing critical decisions on how to advance its agenda for more democracy in the colony.

Argentina Is Keeping Missile Program Active

BUENOS AIRES — Defense Minister Oscar Camillioni says the government has not abandoned its Condor-2 missile program, and plans to keep it alive, but for such nonmilitary uses as launching satellites.

By Governor Chris Patten and his plans for introducing greater democracy in Hong Kong.

The lead negotiators, Anthony Galsworthy and Guo Fengmin, squarely blamed each other for the lack of progress in the Joint Liaison Group meetings, the normal forum for Chinese-British discussions on administrative matters relating to Hong Kong's return to Chinese rule in 1997.

The First Lady Is Official, Appeals Court Rules

By Robert Pear New York Times Service

WASHINGTON — Ruling that Hillary Rodham Clinton was a full-time government official, a federal appeals court has approved the secretary of her task force on health care and essentially acquiesced in Mrs. Clinton's ambitious views

about the role and powers of the first lady.

The ruling by the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia on Tuesday, came in a case filed by doctors and others seeking to force the panel, the Task Force on National Health Care Reform, to conduct its business in public.

But one shouldn't assume Britain is going to be strung along forever," he added.

Over seven months, Beijing repeatedly attacked the Patten proposals and British business interests.

times beyond the 1997 hand-over date and a new cross-harbor tunnel that is part of a plan to build a new Hong Kong airport — whose funding also is the subject of a Chinese-British impasse.

"It is just possible that China is willing to keep talking and talking on all these various matters until Mr. Patten caves in," said Martin Lee, a legislator and leader of the United Democrats political party.

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A United Nations peacekeeper confronting a woman Wednesday at a checkpoint in the Somali capital, Mogadishu.

UN Offers Reward For Aidid Capture

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

MOGADISHU, Somalia — The United Nations is offering a reward for the capture of the fugitive Somali warlord, Mohammed Farrah Aidid, UN sources said Wednesday.

They said helicopters were dropping thousands of leaflets over Mogadishu promising an unspecified sum for information leading to the arrest of General Aidid...

A House Panel Learns Pay Can Be Too Healthy

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Chief executives of top private health-care companies are making "excessive, if not obscene" pay, a congressional panel Wednesday.

The total compensation package for 26 hospital and drug company chiefs in 1992 ranged from \$696,000 at Beverly Enterprises...

Court Backs German Role

Agence France-Press

KARLSRUHE, Germany — The Supreme Court ruled Wednesday that German troops deployed in Somalia last month under United Nations auspices can stay there for the time being.

In a provisional finding, the court required parliament to vote again on the deployment of the troops abroad. The opposition Social Democratic Party has filed suit at the court contending that the operation violates the constitution...

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sympathetic to the concept of arming the Muslim government. Turkey is not an EC member. The level of indifference in the administration's diplomacy was perhaps best articulated by a senior White House official who said Mr. Clinton never expected anything to come of his letter.

In recent days, Mr. Christopher has told a number of European foreign ministers that lifting the arms embargo remains Washington's "preferred option," but did not try to persuade them to that point of view.

IRAN: Iraq Is Mobilizing Troops

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Mr. Bush. They also would not rule out the possibility that it might be a simple military exercise, although they said it would be by far the largest such operation since Iraqi forces were driven from Kuwait in 1991.

Baghdad believed some sort of conflict might be imminent. "It looks like they think someone's going to pop 'em," said one official, who added that the mobilization involved tens of thousands of troops.

But the U.S. officials, who insisted on anonymity, said intelligence assessments being circulated in the government pointed to the renewed tensions between Iran and Iraq as the most likely explanation for the military alert.

The officials refused to provide many details about the Iraqi mobilization. They said that to do so could jeopardize intelligence sources and compromise any future U.S. effort to use military force against Iraq, which is locked in a new dispute with the United Nations over Baghdad's refusal to allow international inspectors to install remote cameras to keep a watch over two missile test sites.

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A Budget Lacking Growth

Ross Perot told voters he would reduce the deficit. So did Bill Clinton. But Mr. Clinton added a more profound promise: to tilt federal spending toward investments in education, training, technology and research.

A Question of Asylum

The U.S. Supreme Court's ruling in a Haitian asylum case produced no celebration. Of course, Haitians seeking to leave their country, for whatever reason, were dismayed that the U.S. policy of intercepting boats at sea and returning passengers to Haiti was validated.

Other Comment

Muslims, the West and Bosnia
The longer the agony of the Bosnian Muslims lasts, the greater will be the discomfort for those in world policy who opt not to look beyond their own borders.

Heed These Lessons of Europe's Big Bust

By Robert J. Samuelson

WASHINGTON — America can learn something from Europe's big bust. It was not supposed to happen. By now, "EC 92" — the European Community's lunge at creating a vast single market — was supposed to have ignited an explosion of new jobs and investment.

considerable power of trade unions, cripples job creation in two ways. First, companies won't hire new workers — especially the young and unskilled — if they have to be paid more than they are worth.

Some Tax Prescriptions for the Ailing

By Ken Messere

PARIS — Nearly all the Western industrialized countries have been mired in budget deficits since 1989; they are likely to remain so for years.



Win-Hold-Win Deserved To Be Buried Long Ago

By Dov S. Zakheim

ARLINGTON, Virginia — During the mid-1970s, U.S. Navy planners studied the prospect of fighting the Soviet Union in the Atlantic and Pacific theaters with a fleet they expected to be half the size of the one that operated during the Vietnam War.

Let There Be No Solingens in France

By Jean-Louis Bianco

PARIS — Newly in office, Prime Minister Edouard Balladur said that he wanted to make France "an example." Ten weeks later, what sort of example is it?

benefits could make matters worse. As for Europe, the real problem is self-delusion. It is hard to admit that its economic troubles are mostly self-inflicted.

Challenges Remain in Cambodia

By Michael Leifer

LONDON — Despite the inaugural meeting of a constituent assembly and agreement on an interim government, the Cambodian peace process is still in a fragile state.

might be politically unfeasible. Another major anomaly in British tax policy is an obsession for reducing rates of income tax, even though this has entailed increases in social security contributions.



current types of aircraft rather than replace them with new models. Yet these changes would not reduce budgets significantly below the \$260 billion level.

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WASHINGTON — [From our New York edition:] President Roosevelt, branding as "intolerable" the nationwide coal strike staged June 22-23, indicated today that draft-age miners would be inducted into the armed services, and announced that he will ask Congress to raise the age limit for non-combat military service from 45 to 65 years to catch middle-aged miners or any other workers who quit government-controlled plants.

OPINION

The Role of Role Models: Values and Slam Dunks

By E. J. Dionne Jr.

WASHINGTON — The Phoenix Suns may have suffered a heart-breaking defeat in the recent National Basketball Association finals, but Charles Barkley, their less-than-sty star, is on the verge of becoming the Murphy Brown of the 1993 "family values" sweepstakes.

Whether the subject is basketball or values, talk only takes you so far.

child out of wedlock in her TV series, thereby setting a bad example for her audience of millions. Mr. Quayle tried to defend himself against charges that he was down on working mothers by insisting that his real gripe was with the dead-beat dad of Ms. Brown's kid who left all the responsibility to her.

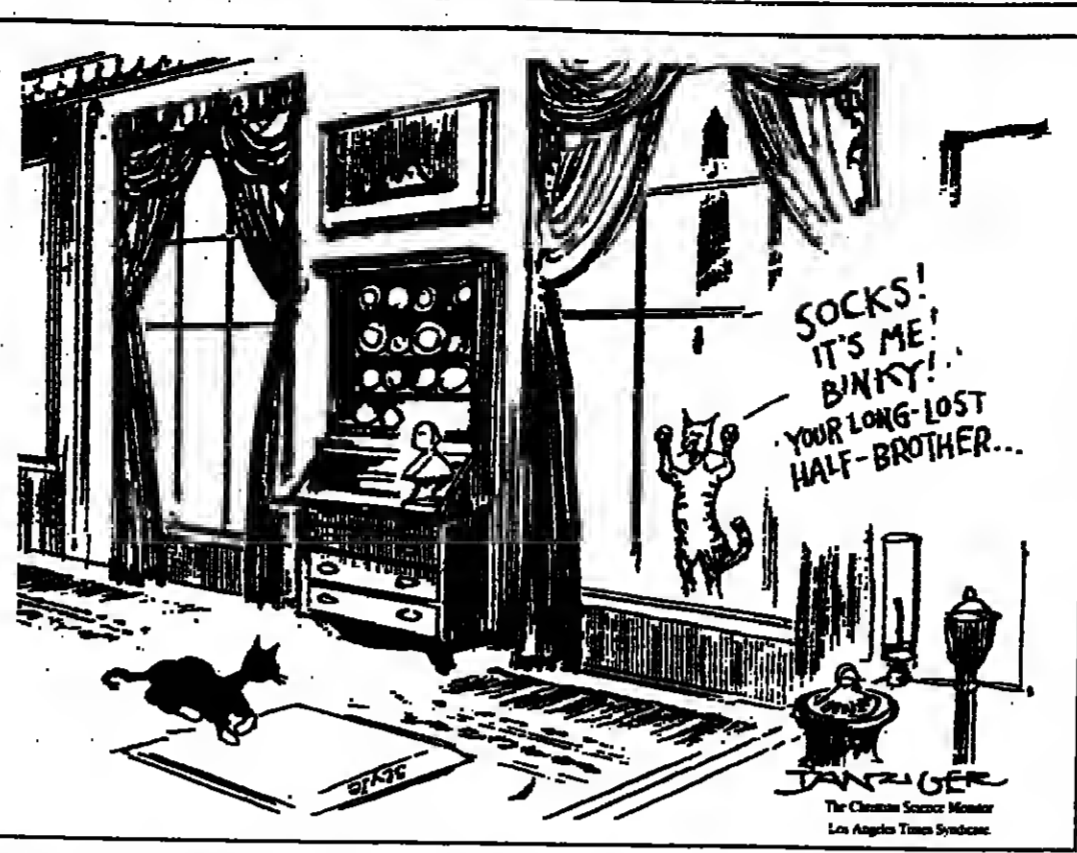
glory and the money that comes with being a famous athlete and not accept the responsibility of being a role model, of knowing that kids and even some adults are watching us and looking for us to set an example, "he wrote. "I mean, why do we get endorsements in the first place? Because there are people who follow our lead and buy a certain sneaker or cereal because we use it."

Good for Mr. Malone for catching the absurdity of the whole business. Effectively, Nike is using both Mr. Barkley and the Chicago Bulls' Michael Jordan in its ad campaign: Mr. Jordan is the role model, Mr. Barkley is the anti-role model, Nike sells shoes coming and going, and Mr. Jordan and Mr. Barkley are further enriched.

That only proves that Mr. Barkley is right about the subject at hand. We can admire him and Mr. Jordan for their various virtues. Mr. Barkley proved himself as good a role model as you will find when it came to teamwork, spirit and coming to the aid of his fellow Suns when they got down or angry. But Mr. Barkley and Mr. Jordan could exhibit all the virtues of Mother Teresa, and we would pay not a lick of attention to them if they only averaged seven points a game.

Mr. Barkley is reminding us how confused we are about the difference between celebrity and virtue — and he's demonstrating that the compensation won in the marketplace often has nothing to do with the behavior we claim we would like to encourage. As a result, society is constantly sending mixed and confusing messages, especially (but not exclusively) to kids.

Take Mr. Barkley's example of parenthood. Parents need to be patient. They need to take quiet pleasure in the ordinary achievements of day-to-day life. They often have to be self-denying. They need to believe in commitment.



or real-estate tycoons, are rewarded — handsomely — for the opposite of most of these virtues. They need to be impatient. Win today. They are often punished for taking the long view: Sell off today, for tomorrow the real-estate market might collapse; make every endorsement ad you can now, because tomorrow the fans might see you as a bum.

None of this, of course, would prevent Mr. Barkley or Mr. Malone from being decent parents. But the contradiction between the values we praise and those we reward explains why the political debate over values is so often dishonest.

Liberals and conservatives are often playing off the same contradiction, even when they claim to be arguing with each other. Liberals tend to attack the "greed" and "selfishness" of leveraged buy-out artists who will do any-

thing — including wreck a company and throw thousands out of work — in pursuit of a fast \$90 million. Conservatives prefer to attack Hollywood people for making millions and millions by showing disrespect for values — especially of the "traditional" and "family" sort — and for enjoying "lifestyles" akin to those of, well, leveraged buy-out artists. In each case, the polemicists are trying to make the point that vast benefits are flowing to people who are living by something other than old-fashioned virtues such as prudence, sobriety, compassion or loyalty.

This doesn't bother conservatives (who talk incessantly about values) as much as it should. They argue that the market does its thing, and we are supposed to be virtuous in our private lives, and if the two don't always fit together so well, the fault, they usually insist, cannot possibly lie with the market.

If we claim to revere the ordinary heroism of ordinary people who work hard to raise their kids and make a living, then at some point, we have to start worrying about how the rewards and the respect we give them stacks up against our rhetoric about values and responsibility. As conservatives always remind us, people respond to incentives. Most folks don't expect the incentives for ordinary decency to be up to the pay scale of Nike's advertising firm, but they will feel like chumps if all they get are sermons at election time.

Yet Another Futile Battle In the War Over Abortion

By Anna Quindlen

NEW YORK — Like-minded women sighed and said, "It's going to be a long summer." In Minneapolis and St. Paul, where people joke that there are only two seasons, winter and road work, you don't hear that line much. But Operation Rescue had come to town, and those who believe abortion should stay legal were expecting the summer to be long and hot, as Wichita's was two years ago.

So far, in fact, the rightist anti-abortion group, which specializes in clinic blockades and provider harassment, has been

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remarkably quiet. There are rumors that the demonstrators are training, waiting, planning something really big in July.

Wherever they are, whatever they're planning, you have to wonder if they understand what any sensible American knows: None of it matters.

move the debate forward. None has Colloquies on common ground are irrelevant both to the majority of Americans, who think this is a matter for individual decision-making, and the vocal minority, who see it as an absolute evil. Where in the world do we go from here?

Certainly not to the Rescue folks, who immobilize cities and oversimplify solutions. "If people say they can't afford a baby, we tell them about our warehouse full of clothes and formula," a woman on the front lines said last summer.

Ab, if formula were all there was to babies, babies who grow up to need sneakers, dentists, vegetables, bunk beds, decent homes and love. Last month a teenager who once sat in an abortion clinic for two hours and then walked out and had a baby instead said next time she'd have the abortion. "I love my daughter," she said, "but it's a lot harder than the ladies said at church."

And somewhere else, I'm sure, you can find me the girl who had the abortion and next time wants to have a baby. That's where the abortion debate happens in America — in our experience, our lives, in the conversations we have about how much we love children, about how much oxygen and energy and effort they require, about what makes a good parent and what makes a good home.

No matter what happens in the Twin Cities or anywhere else, Operation Rescue is operating in the wrong venue. "Operation Reschedule," some clinics call it, because the patients come back after the demonstrators are gone, or go somewhere else instead. Those demonstrators may eventually cost the Twin Cities thousands of dollars in police overtime, clog up the court system and take a toll on doctors, nurses and patients at clinics. They are wasting their time and ours. The venue is not the streets, or even the womb. It is the mind.

Over the last four years I have read at least a half-dozen books purporting to

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Foreigners in Germany

As a foreign student living in Germany, my impression of the country in recent weeks is one of confusion and disgust.

The government rejects double citizenship and has dragged its feet on easing current citizenship laws. Germany's foreigners are contributing members of society. But the government, in law and in practice, insists on their status as outsiders.

How effective will the demonstrations against racism be when the government itself marginalizes an integral part of society? How productive will stiffer sentences against individual criminals be as long as the government holds down a whole population?

JAIMIE FISHER, Berlin.

Regarding the report "Risks Gitanize Turks to Seek a Stay in Germany" (June 2)

Turks are the largest group of foreigners in Germany, but only one-third of the non-German population, which amounts to about 5.7 million. There also are well-integrated people from Denmark, Iran, Japan and Spain.

Only 13,000 of the 1.8 million Turks have become German citizens — but how many tried? Most of the Turks whom I know live among themselves, speak broken German and don't participate in German social life. We have to accept that — but who would seriously suggest granting citizenship and consequently the right to vote to one who cannot read the ballot?

Other countries in which heritage plays a role in granting citizenship include France, Switzer-

land and Britain, which still fight its commonwealth hydra of nationalities by means of a complicated and ambiguous nationality act. And, by the way, the "stiff fees" imposed on those applying for German citizenship as a second nationality have been reduced to an amount that corresponds to the actual costs, approximately \$60.

THOMAS WETTER, Hirschberg, Germany.

To Turn the Tables

The White House has taken to using threats of trade sanctions in an attempt to manipulate the internal policies of foreign countries. In this manner, it is trying to direct everything from Chinese action on human rights to Japanese monetary policy. This treatment also has been used to encourage internal prosecution of copyright laws in Thailand, and will surely be used more and more frequently in coming years.

The jury-sanctioned killing of a Japanese boy in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, offers an opportunity: Somebody should threaten trade sanctions against the United States unless it tightens its gun laws. I am sure that the Americans, so busy governing the rest of the world, would be thankful for such policy-making assistance.

BRETT REYNOLDS, Bangkok.

Regarding the decision in the case of the Japanese boy; Nothing in my 20 years of living abroad had made me ashamed to be an American — until this.

STEPHEN NEWMAN, Paris.

Portugal and Bosnia

Regarding "It's Their Balkan Quarrel" (Opinion, June 2) by José Cutileiro.

If the European Community had adopted the same dismissive attitude toward Portugal during its time of troubles in the 1970s, I wonder where Mr. Cutileiro would be today. In 1975, Portugal was menaced by Marxist revolution and had an economy in free-fall.

Prompt EC action scared off the would-be tyrants and generous subsidies after Portugal's entry into the Community in 1986 have brought a veneer of stability to a country that is in some ways as artificial as Bosnia.

TOM CALLAGHER, Bradford, England.



But How About Rex?

In your Rex Morgan strip, I don't like the look of this doctor, Keith, back from South Africa. He's got a bad haircut, a limp sense of humor and he doesn't even know how to spell hamster! June Gale should stick with Spiro.

A. M. MORRISON, Brussels.

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HEALTH / SCIENCE

Power Emissions:
Is There Danger?

The Evidence Is Slim

By Gary Taubes
New York Times Service

NEW YORK — Electromagnetic fields, linked for more than a decade, however tenuously, with cancer in children, have become the stuff of nightmares. Entrepreneurs have been doing a brisk business selling devices to measure EMFs, as they are known, in the home or office. And U.S. utility companies are quietly spending \$1 billion a year to reduce exposures from their power lines and facilities, while preparing to face a barrage of lawsuits holding them responsible for childhood cancers.

But in a recent lawsuit in San Diego, the first such case to go to trial, a jury rejected a couple's claim that their 5-year-old daughter's rare form of kidney cancer had been caused by the tangle of power lines jangling above their home. The San Diego case raised the question of just how strong the scientific evidence is linking electromagnetic fields and cancer, and whether the public's anxiety is valid.

The question of whether electromagnetic fields are capable of causing or promoting childhood cancer has been debated since 1979, when Dr. Nancy Wertheimer and Dr. Ed Leeper of the University of Colorado reported that children exposed to higher than average magnetic fields had a twofold to threefold increased risk of leukemia. Although the Denver study was generally discounted by the scientific community, a handful of studies have come up with similar results.

To some researchers, like Dr. David Carpenter, dean of the School of Public Health at the State University of New York at Albany, the similarity of the findings leads to the conclusion that electromagnetic fields may cause cancer.

"Any individual study by itself is certainly not enough to shake you up," Dr. Carpenter said. "But if you put them together as a group, it has convinced me that there's so much smoke here, there must be a fire."

Nevertheless, two major reports released last year concluded that such an association is not supported by the scientific evidence. Sir Richard Doll, the British epidemiologist credited with proving the link between cigarettes and lung cancer, headed a three-year study on electromagnetic fields and cancer for the British government.

"The evidence is really much too weak to justify the conclusion that here you have got a cause and effect relationship," Sir Richard said.

The second study, organized by the Oak Ridge Associated Universities, an association of 65 universities, concluded: "Epidemiologic findings of an association between electric and magnetic fields and childhood leukemia or other childhood or adult cancers are inconsistent and inconclusive." The study was conducted at the behest of the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy, after publication of a series of articles in The New Yorker by Paul Brodeur, which portrayed electromagnetic fields as a serious health concern.

Weighing against the thesis that the low-level electromagnetic fields from power lines and appliances can cause cancer, researchers say, are basic biological and physical arguments. Dr. William Bennett, a Yale physicist who served on the Oak Ridge study, explained that the magnetic field from the Earth is 200 to 300 times as great in the United States as the levels from power lines and appliances.

"What some people argue is that maybe there's an inherent difference between oscillating fields from 60-cycle-per-second power lines and the constant field from the Earth," Dr. Bennett said. "But no one can come up with a reasonable physical mechanism to explain why that would make a difference in the body."

EVEN if people were subjected to oscillating electromagnetic fields enormously greater than those from power lines, he said, these fields would still generate fields in the human body far smaller than those naturally produced by the random motion of electrons and ions in the body's cells. "It seems foolish to be worrying about the conceivable effects of these minuscule magnetic fields when you're immersed in bigger fields, though random, all the time," Dr. Bennett said.

Moreover, researchers have been unable to induce or promote cancer in animal models using low-level electromagnetic fields.

"The solid weight of biological research," Sir Richard said, argues against the possibility that such fields are capable of causing cancer. "For the sort of fields we're talking about, we know they don't damage DNA. The idea that they should cause cancer is bizarre."

The evidence supporting a link comes from research in epidemiology, which is the study of how diseases are distributed and what factors determine the distribution. However, said Dr. Dimitrios Trichopoulos, chairman of the epidemiology department at the Harvard School of Public Health and an author of the Oak Ridge analysis, epidemiology has proved to be an extremely difficult and thorny science.

Dr. Trichopoulos explained that epidemiology at its best is a blunt tool, capable of exposing risk factors, like cigarette smoking, which increases a person's chances of getting lung cancer tenfold, but more problematic when it comes to something like exposure to electromagnetic fields, which published studies suggest increases the risk of incurring cancer at most by a factor of two. The scientific methods used by epidemiologists, Dr. Trichopoulos said, are simply not powerful enough to establish an effect at this level.

Magnetic Fields and Cancer

Reports from the British National Radiological Protection Board and the Oak Ridge Associated Universities find that though humans are immersed in electromagnetic fields from the earth and in ever-increasing amounts from appliances and power lines, there are no demonstrable health risks.

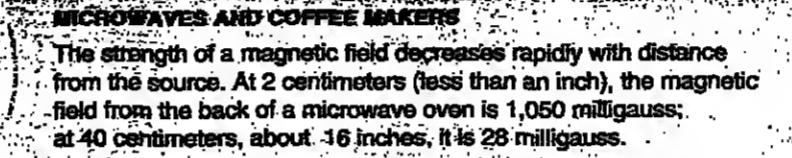
NATURAL MAGNETIC FIELDS

The earth generates a magnetic field that fluctuates in response to solar activity. It is 200 to 300 times as great as the fields from power lines and appliances.

Earth's magnetic field fluctuates daily in response to solar activity and lunar motion. The amount of the fluctuation is roughly the same as magnetic fields from common house wiring, 1 to 5 milligauss.

A COMPARISON TO POWER TRANSMISSION LINES

The magnetic fields suspected of causing childhood leukemia, according to various reports, are 3 to 4 milligauss, roughly one-hundredth the strength of the earth's static magnetic field.



Sources: "Health Effects of Low-Frequency Electric and Magnetic Fields," Oak Ridge Associated Universities Panel for the Committee on Inaugural Radiation Research and Policy Coordination; report of the British National Radiological Protection Board.

Thumbs Up
For Pacifiers
Better for Child, Parents

By Jane E. Brody
New York Times Service

NEW YORK — Thumbs are out of style. Modern babies suck on pacifiers, now also a fashion accessory for teenagers, who wear them in psychedelic colors around their necks and sometimes actually put them in their mouths. Sucking is an instinct essential to the survival of all mammals, which as newborns get all their sustenance by nursing. Human babies have been observed on sonograms to suck their thumbs even before they are born.

But for most babies, the amount of sucking they do at the breast or on a bottle is not enough to satisfy the desire to suck. Sucking quickly becomes associated with satiation and security.

Little wonder that so many babies and young children turn to nonnutritive sucking whenever life seems uncertain or uncomfortable. In many ways, the oral habits pursued by many adults, especially smoking, nibbling and gum chewing, are simply an extension of the sucking reflex.

Left to their own devices, at least half of babies will suck on their thumbs or fingers for varying amounts of time when awake and asleep. The sucking impulse typically begins to fade between the ages of 3 and 6 months, but by then thumb or finger sucking can become habitual for babies whenever they feel insecure, tired, stressed or hungry.

Eventually, nearly all thumb-suckers stop. But the numbers remain high in preschool years. About 40 percent of toddlers from 1 to 3 years old still suck their thumbs or fingers. A third of 3-to-5-year-olds suck their thumbs, and only one in four 5-year-olds still sucks a thumb or finger for some part of the day. Some children reared as infants on a pacifier switch to a thumb, but most seem not to.

But once children enter kindergarten or first grade, the pressure is on them to stop lest they get teased or ostracized by their peers.

A study of 40 first-graders in Nebraska, published in April in the journal Pediatrics, confirmed that children who suck their thumbs are considered by their peers to be less intelligent, happy, likable and desirable as a friend or neighbor.

Parental concerns may start in the child's infancy, although nonnutritive sucking in the early months is natural and harmless. Parents worry not just about how sucking looks but also that the habit will distort the shape of their baby's mouth and cause teeth to grow improperly, possibly costing thousands of dollars' worth of orthodontic correction.

Enter the pacifier. This rubber or plastic nipple-shaped object has become a fixture obliterating half the faces of millions of infants. If a pacifier is introduced at the age of 1 or 2 months, many babies will suck on it instead of their thumbs or fingers. Many parents, unwilling to take the chance that their babies will find pleasure in their thumbs or fingers, introduce the pacifier soon after birth and use it whenever the baby whimpers.

There are two strong arguments in favor of pacifier over thumb. Because it is soft and in some cases specially designed to minimize pressure on mouth structures, the pacifier is less likely to result in distortions like buck teeth. But use of a pacifier is no guarantee of a trouble-free mouth or of preventing thumb-sucking.

Parents also have more control over a child's access to a pacifier and can restrict its use or remove it.

Parents who actively try to discourage thumb-sucking in preschoolers are likely to find that this approach backfires and becomes a power struggle that the parent inevitably loses.

IN BRIEF

Doomsday of the Dinosaurs: Pebbles Instead of a Rock?

NEW YORK (NYT) — A new report suggests that the celestial body that may have wiped out dinosaurs 65 million years ago was not a single mass but a swarm of separate objects.

The idea that a doomsday rock did in the dinosaurs was first proposed in 1980 by Dr. Walter Alvarez, a geologist at the University of California at Berkeley. A weak link in the theory was the lack of a crater formed at the right time and big enough to touch off mass extinctions by blotting out the sun with a global pall of dust. But scientists have, in the past few years, identified a subterranean crater about 110 miles (175 kilometers) wide on the northern edge of the Yucatan Peninsula in Mexico, making it the leading candidate for the impact scar.

The new study says bits of asteroid in the

Western Pacific could not have come from the Mexican site, 4,300 miles (6,900 kilometers) away. And it says similar finds in Europe, New Zealand, the Atlantic and Indian oceans elsewhere have differing chemical compositions, suggesting that they came from other impacts that occurred about the same time. In the current issue of Nature, the British scientific weekly, Dr. Eric Robin and three colleagues at the Center for Low Radioactivity in France present evidence for an asteroid impact in the Pacific.

raised concerns about the health of teenage and poor Third World mothers, but not for adult American women. "Our findings may be particularly significant for underdeveloped countries, where nutrition may be inadequate," said Dr. Mary Fran R. Sowers, whose study was published in the Journal of the American Medical Association. "The women in our study were very healthy and well-nourished."

Dr. Sowers, an associate professor of epidemiology at the University of Michigan's School of Public Health, said the bone densities of nursing women rose between six months and one year after they gave birth. The 12-month study tracked 95 white and three Asian women, ages 20 to 40. All were healthy and were either childless or had one other child. They all ate adequate amounts of calcium.

Researchers used X-rays to test the density of the women's bones two weeks and two, four, six and 12 months after their babies' births.

Some Reversal of Bone Loss Shown for Nursing Mothers

DETROIT (AP) — Nursing mothers in a new study suffered bone loss of as much as 5 percent during the first six months, but began recovering by 12 months after giving birth.

The study's lead researcher said the findings

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BOOKS

SPY TRADER: Germany's Devil's Advocate and the Darkest Secrets of the Cold War

By Craig R. Whitney. 375 pages. Illustrated. \$25. Times Books.

Reviewed by David Wise

A FEW hours after dawn on Feb. 10, 1962, a tall, thin Russian wearing dark glasses walked to the center of Berlin's Glienicke Bridge and passed a stocky younger man in a fur cap who was headed in the opposite direction. The Soviet spy Rudolf Ivanovich Abel had been traded for Francis Gary Powers, who had been brought down while flying a U-2 spy plane for the CIA.

Fifteen miles away at Checkpoint Charlie, far from the cinematic scene on the bridge over the Havel River, an East German lawyer sat quietly in his car awaiting word of the exchange. Wolfgang Vogel's name was unknown at the time, but he had arranged a swap that was a milestone in the history of the Cold War. Vogel had worked out the details with James B. Donovan, the former OSS counsel who had defended Abel at his espionage trial in New York. Ostensibly, Vogel represented "Frau Helen Abel," Abel's supposed wife. In fact, his clients were the KGB and the Stasi, the East German spy agency.

The Powers-Abel trade was the beginning of Vogel's career as a broker in human lives who earned the respect of officials on both sides of what used to be called the Iron Curtain. Vogel has opened his files to Craig R. Whitney, the European diplomatic correspondent of The New York Times, and the result is "Spy Trader: Germany's Devil's Advocate and the Darkest Secrets of the Cold War," a carefully documented, absorbing account of the East German lawyer over three decades. Whitney reports that Vogel arranged the ransom for West Germany of 33,755 political prisoners held by East Germany and the release of another 215,019 East Germans. They were exchanged for payments by Bonn to

the East German government, of nearly 3.5 billion Deutsche marks. Both sides found Vogel useful, the CIA and the FBI no less than the KGB. Spies get caught, and since Moscow and Washington preferred to pretend their operatives were innocent, the spy trade required a middleman. The larger trade in political prisoners, as Whitney notes, clear, was strictly for cash: East Germany needed hard currency. Vogel was glad to accommodate everyone.

He grew rich in the process — a gold Mercedes, a country house with the latest Western appliances, a comfortable life. And he believed in what he was doing. His greatest triumph was the trade in 1986 of the Soviet dissident Natan Sharansky, who was not a spy, for several prisoners in Western jails who were.

Ironically, Whitney contends, Vogel helped bring down the German Democratic Republic. The migration westward that he had facilitated became a flood by the fall of 1989. East Germany could no longer control its borders. Erich Hon-ecker, the aging East German leader, did not realize his country was

literally walking away from him. In the aftermath of the collapse of communism, Whitney says, some of the very people Vogel had helped turned on him, denouncing him for profiting from their plight. Arrested by German authorities on various criminal charges, then freed, he is still under investigation by prosecutors, his fate uncertain. Vogel remains what he was, an ambiguous man. He savored his car, his dacha, his sailboat, his collection of Meissen birds — everything that his Stasi connections and the trade in human beings brought

him. In the end, his life was a Faustian bargain.

Still, Vogel earns a measure of cautious sympathy from Whitney that is not entirely misplaced. Vogel, after all, was more than a servant of an evil secret police. He gave thousands of people back their freedom — the most precious gift, as it turned out, that Bonn's marks could buy.

David Wise, the author of "Molehunt," a book about the CIA's search for Soviet spies in its ranks, wrote this for The New York Times.

WHAT THEY'RE READING

• Larry Collins, whose latest book is "Black Eagles," is reading "Fanny Stevenson: Entre Passion et Liberté," by Alexandra Lapierre.

• "This biography of the wife of Robert Louis Stevenson breathes new life into the old canon that behind every great man lies an even greater woman."

(Arthur Hedges, IHT)



BRIDGE

By Alan Truscott

THE diagrammed deal helped the French to surge into the lead of the European Championship in Menton, France.

Paul Chemia as North reversed with two hearts and followed with a spade bid of four clubs. In this situation, four clubs showed a good spade fit, probably with three cards, at most one club, and strong interest in slam. A series of cue-bids followed, until North took the plunge into six spades.

Michel Perron as South faced a difficult problem after an opening club lead forced dummy to ruff. He ruffed with the spade ten, a critical play, and tried to draw trumps. Cashing the king, then finessing could have left him exposed in the club suit. He therefore led the four and finessed the jack. When it won, he managed to bring home an over-trick.

He returned to the spade king, cashed the diamond ace and ruffed a diamond. This brought down the king and the rest was easy. He drew the missing trump and claimed 13 tricks.

If the diamond king had not fallen, he would have drawn the trump, crossed to dummy with a heart lead, and played the diamond queen. If East followed low, he would have had to judge the location of the king from what he knew of the distribution.

In the replay, North-South rested in four spades, after a similar start to the auction. After North's splinter, South bid four hearts, rather than four diamonds, and did not choose to continue over four spades.

The slam was a borderline one, so there was nothing wrong with choosing to play game. But the result was a gain of 13 imps for

Chemia's team, which was on its way to Menton.

• NORTH (D)

♠	K 10 4
♥	A K J 7
♦	A Q J 8 7 2
♣	—

• WEST

♠	9 5
♥	10 8 8 3
♦	K 6
♣	K J 8 8 6

• EAST

♠	Q 8 2
♥	7 5 4
♦	10 8 5 4 3
♣	A Q 3 2

• SOUTH

♠	A J 7 8 3
♥	Q 5 2
♦	8
♣	10 7 5 4

The bidding:

North		East		South		West	
1 0	Pass	1 4	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass
2 7	Pass	3 4	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass
4 ♣	Pass	4 0	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass
4 ♥	Pass	5 ♥	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass
5 ♠	Pass	5 ♣	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass
6 ♠	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass

West led the club ace.

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NYSE

Wednesday's Closing Tables include the nationwide price up to the closing on Wall Street and do not reflect late trades elsewhere. Via The Associated Press.

NYSE Composite Index: 5,832.42 (+13.25)

Dow Jones Industrial Average: 8,210.00 (+10.00)

S&P 500: 1,180.00 (+15.00)

NASDAQ Composite: 1,450.00 (+20.00)

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4-Way Trade Talks Start Slowly

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

TOKYO—The United States, the European Community, Japan and Canada apparently made little progress on major issues in talks on market access Wednesday, sources close to the negotiations said.

Japan refused to discuss opening its rice market and the United States and EC remained at odds over textiles and services, the sources said. The officials decided to sidestep as much as possible the thorny question of market access for farm products, even though it would have to be included in a global accord, the sources said.

The four-way talks are being held to try to unlock progress toward a world trade pact under the auspices of the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade.

Japan continues to reject a system of adjustable tariffs on imported rice to replace a complete ban, as proposed by the former GATT director-general, Arthur Dunkel, and supported by Washington.

The sources said Japan was prepared to soften its attitude on financial services but was expecting concessions from the United States on shipping. The EC is expecting concessions from the United States on competition from foreign shipping lines before it will move on the audiovisual sector, where Washington is demanding liberalization, the sources said.

Mickey Kantor, the U.S. trade representative, was said to demand that the European Community abolish import duties on timber, paper, aluminum and electronics, sectors worth \$13 billion a year to America and \$8 billion to Japan.

al trade and industry minister, Yoshio Mori, both likely to step down after next month's election. Canada is represented by Trade Minister Michael Wilson, who already announced his intention to retire.

Japan did agree to ease access for foreign companies to its lucrative pension fund market. U.S. and Japanese officials said. The concessions would enable foreign advisers to boost their share of the \$820 billion pension market to more than 10 percent from the current 3 percent, U.S. officials said.

The talks got off to a sour start as the Japanese, Europeans and Canadians — only hours earlier, Washington announced it would impose anti-dumping tariffs on its steel imports from 19 countries. Trade officials in Tokyo, Brussels and Ottawa denounced the move.

The Canadians, taking a low profile ahead of the inauguration of a new cabinet Friday, were facing a revolt from within the Cairns Group of GATT farm-exporting nations after announcing earlier in the week a 25 percent tariff on imports of beef, targeted at Australia.

There was also bad news for the United States. European leaders, meeting in Copenhagen on Tuesday, implicitly backed French demands to renegotiate a deal on farm subsidies between Brussels and Washington, known as the Blair House accord.

Mr. Balladur told the French parliament Wednesday that France won a "decisive success" at the EC summit when the leaders decided that all subjects, including the vexed issue of agriculture, must be negotiated together at GATT talks. He said that this meant "that what is called the Blair House draft accord is not a final document and is not engraved in stone."

(AFX, Reuters)

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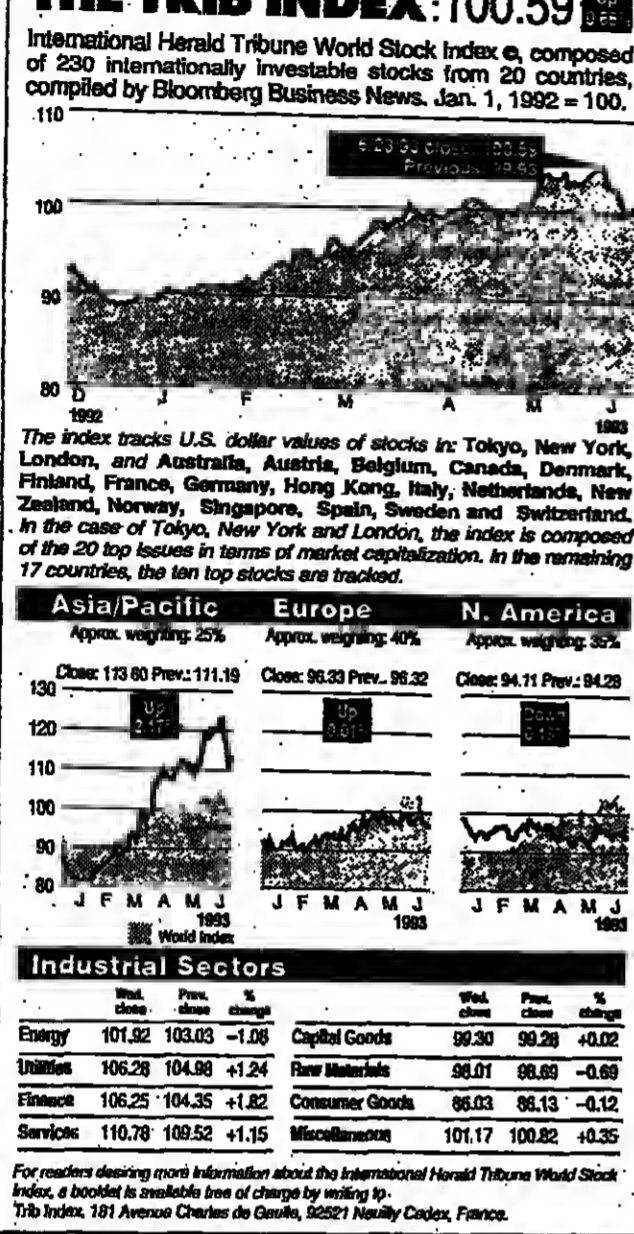
Fresh Doubts on Recovery
U.S. GDP Slowed to Crawl in First Quarter

By Robert D. Hershey Jr.
WASHINGTON — The specter of higher taxes and health costs is helping limit economic growth to "a slow to moderate pace" in most sections of the United States, the Federal Reserve's latest survey of business conditions stated Wednesday.

Success of IBM's Thinkpad
May Guide Way to Renewal

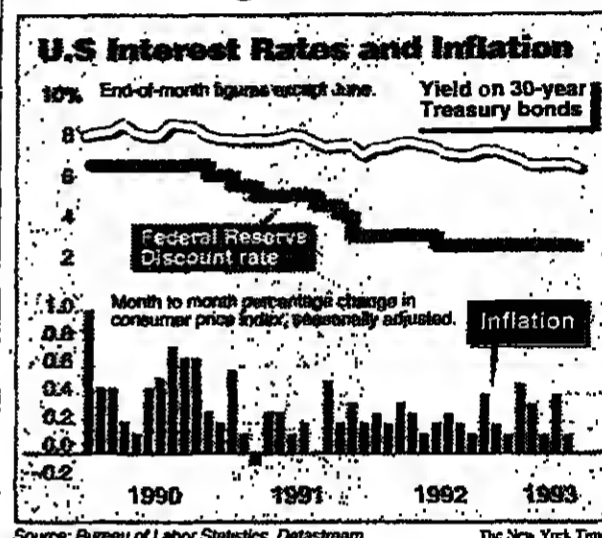
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NEW YORK — When IBM brought Bruce Clafin back from Tokyo last year to manage the company's notebook-computer unit, he was elated. The 40-year-old marketing executive had been given his own business to run.

THE TRIB INDEX: 100.59



The index tracks U.S. dollar values of stocks in Tokyo, New York, London, and Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Hong Kong, Italy, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Singapore, Spain, Sweden and Switzerland.

With Eye on Inflation,
Fed Weighs Rate Rise



Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, DataStream

France Opens Pitch for 'Balladur Bond'

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PARIS — France kicked off a campaign on Wednesday to persuade small savers to support the unemployed and the new conservative government by snapping up a national bond issue that is intended to raise at least 40 billion francs.

INTERNATIONAL MANAGER
Communication Is Crucial
To Morale During Merger

By Frank Swoboda
WASHINGTON — It's known as the "bereavement syndrome" — those feelings of guilt among survivors of a corporate restructuring. These are the people, said the Bank of America chairman, Richard M. Roseberg, who feel "guilty that they have survived, angry at the perceived injustice of the layoffs, uncertain of their responsibilities and their futures."

By Louis Uchitelle

NEW YORK — After rising unexpectedly in the beginning of the year, inflation seemed to have abated in May, but the Federal Reserve remains haunted by its specter.

Ex-Ferruzzi Chief Says
He Didn't Cause Woes

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MILAN — The Italian financier Rami Gardini has denied that his management of the Ferruzzi Group was responsible for its debt problems, and said the Ferruzzi family last week asked him to return to lead the group out of its crisis.

RJR Drops
Offering of
Food Stock

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NEW YORK — RJR Nabisco Holdings Corp. said Wednesday it was shelving plans to set up a separate class of stock tied to its food business because it could not get its targeted price.

"Quadratus". A solid gold watch
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3. Allocation of net results;
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5. Statutory appointments;
6. Miscellaneous.

MARKET DIARY

Economy Worries Sap Dollar's Gains

Bloomberg Business News NEW YORK — Disappointing economic news sent the dollar low against most major currencies on Wednesday, ending a week of gains against the Deutsche mark and the...

Foreign Exchange

The dollar slumped after the Commerce Department reported it orders for durable goods such as aircraft and steel girders fell 1.6 percent in May, the third straight decline.

The durable-goods numbers jacked everybody and took steam out of the dollar's rally, said Alfonso Alego, senior proprietary trader at Sakura Bank Ltd. Many people had been expecting orders rise, he said.

WEAK: Data Surprise Market

Continued from Page 11... Business commentators that investment and hiring were being delayed because of uncertainties over federal tax increases and na-

N.Y. Stocks

The report on orders for durable goods — items from clothes dryer to planes designed to last at least five years — showed a May decline of 1.6 percent. While this dip was not particularly large for a month subject to big swings, most analysts had not expected a change this magnitude.

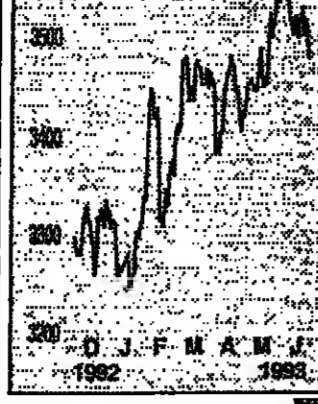
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FED: Officials Ponder a Rate Increase as a Preemptive Strike on Inflation

Continued from Page 11... and that's the key," he said at a White House appearance. "There's no inflation in the money that we can see."

Part of what makes the focus of the Fed on raising rates significant is its belief, shared by the Treasury Department, that the economy is growing at 3.5 percent to 3 percent annual rate, or strongly enough to withstand the mild blow of a small interest rate increase.

man, to stop expecting inflation at a time when labor is plentiful and inexpensive, and the nation is oversupplied with goods, conditions that make it difficult to raise prices.

Then there is the view that a window of opportunity has opened, one that will close by early fall, and that it is the Fed's last chance for a while to deal with what it considers the inflationary potential.

WORLD STOCK MARKETS

Large table listing stock market data for various countries including Amsterdam, Brussels, Frankfurt, London, Madrid, Milan, Singapore, Stockholm, Toronto, Zurich, and others. Columns include stock names, prices, and changes.

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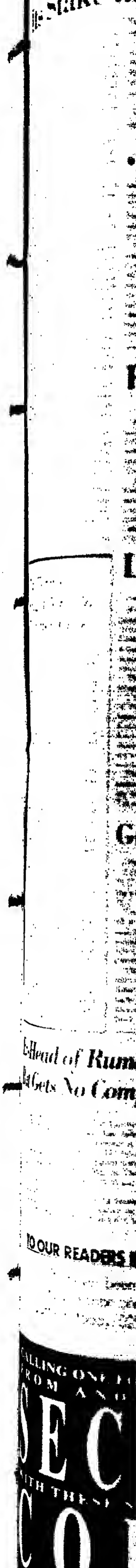
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Minorco Will Sell Its Stake in Charter

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LONDON — Minorco, the natural-resources investment arm of the South African conglomerate Anglo-American Corp., said Wednesday that it had agreed with Charter Consolidated PLC to sell its 35.8 percent stake in Charter for £235.5 million (\$348 million), or 622 pence per share.

Minorco said it would sell its shares to a new holding company, Charter PLC, which would buy all the other shares in Charter Consolidated.

The project is to be put to a special meeting of Charter shareholders at which Minorco will not have the right to vote. If approved, the sale would become effective in mid-August, Minorco said.

Minorco said that as Charter Consolidated evolved from a mining-finance company to an industrial company—including the sale of its 38 percent stake in the British metal and chemical company Johnson Matthey PLC earlier this year—it no longer represented a strategic investment for Minorco. Charter said it believed the company's development into an independent industrial group would be facilitated if "there is no single dominant shareholder."

Jeffrey Herbert, Charter's chief executive, said the sale was "a logical step" following the sale of its stake in Johnson Matthey, and would enhance earnings. As part of the split between Minorco and Charter, Charter's former chief executive, Sir Michael Edwards, will resign from the Minorco board. He has been a Minorco director since 1984.

A joint venture between Minorco and Johannesburg-based Consolidated Investment Co. bought roughly half of Charter's stake in Johnson Matthey. Minorco said it was considering

further "significant investment opportunities." Minorco has previously announced it had bought the Spanish materials and concrete producer Steyley Iberia, and had taken a stake in the Collahuasi copper project in Chile. Charter said its pretax profit climbed 538 percent in the year ended March 31, to £289.2 million. (AFX, Bloomberg)

Rothmans Trading Halted
The London Stock Exchange said Wednesday that trading in shares of Rothmans International PLC and Dunhill Holdings PLC had been suspended at the companies' request. AFP-Extel News reported from London.

On Tuesday, Rothmans, Dunhill and their controlling shareholder, Compagnie Financière Richemont AG of Switzerland, announced a reorganization into two companies focused separately on tobacco and luxury goods. The Zurich Stock Exchange said that trading in Richemont bearer stock had also been suspended.

A New Bundesbank Reign Tietmeyer to Inherit a Fragile Currency

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BERLIN — The German government on Wednesday confirmed Hans Tietmeyer as the next head of the country's central bank and chief guardian of the increasingly wobbly Deutsche mark.

Mr. Tietmeyer, 61, is currently vice president of the Bundesbank. He had long been expected to take over on Oct. 1 when President Helmut Schlesinger, 68, is due to resign. Chancellor Helmut Kohl's cabinet confirmed the succession at a regular meeting in Bonn.

A government spokesman said at a news conference that the cabinet had also named a Bundesbank board member, Johanna Wilhelm Gaddum, to replace Mr. Tietmeyer in the No. 2 job. Mr. Tietmeyer's appointment will run until the end of August 1993, while Mr. Gaddum's will last until the end of August 1994. Analysts say Mr. Tietmeyer is more sensitive to the international implications of the Bundesbank's policies than Mr. Schlesinger but would not be so soft on inflation. "One must not make the mistake of thinking that a change in presidency means a change in policy," said Peter Pietsch of Commerzbank. Adolf Rosenstock, of the Industrial Bank of Japan, said, "It will be more difficult to predict policy, although any shift would be more in style than substance." Mr. Tietmeyer and Mr. Gaddum are close allies

of Mr. Kohl but are seen as independent thinkers who do not let their allegiance to the chancellor get in the way of their role as central bankers.

Noting the mark's recent weakness, Mr. Tietmeyer said Tuesday that it still served as a "reliable anchor" and that Germany had benefited from the mark's stability. "We will do everything to preserve this foundation," he said, vowing to work toward "long-term monetary stability."

Mr. Tietmeyer, who has been at the Bundesbank since 1989, had served as Mr. Kohl's "sherpa" at international economic summit meetings for most of the 1980s. During the decade, he held the role of eminence grise at the Finance Ministry in his position as state secretary responsible for international monetary affairs. The Bundesbank said Wednesday that Germany's stubbornly high inflation rate meant it had to maintain a cautious monetary policy to avoid triggering a rise in money market interest rates. Reuters reported from Frankfurt. Reflecting that caution, the Bundesbank cut a key money market rate by only one basis point, to 7.59 percent, on Wednesday. Dealers said this signaled that any early lowering of the discount and Lombard rates was unlikely.

Krona Hurt By Swedish Contraction

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STOCKHOLM — Sweden's economy shrank 3.8 percent in the first quarter of 1993 from the level a year earlier, preliminary official data issued on Wednesday showed, pressuring the country's currency in the foreign-exchange market.

Meanwhile, unemployment rose 0.4 percent in May from the previous month, to 7.5 percent, far above the 4.8 percent rate in May 1992. The fall in gross domestic product was believed to be the sharpest quarterly decline under the current method of calculation.

Seasonally adjusted, first-quarter GDP was down 0.6 percent from the fourth quarter of last year, the government said. Output of manufactured goods fell 2.8 percent in the quarter, while production of private services was down 3.9 percent and public services fell 3.1 percent. Exports fell 2 percent, while imports dropped 5.2 percent, reflecting sluggish demand. Private consumption tumbled 5.1 percent from the level a year earlier, while public consumption fell 3.6 percent. Gross investment was down 13.8 percent, the 10th quarter in which it has fallen, but industrial investment was unchanged. Although a weak report had been expected, the 3.8 percent fall was more than analysts predicted. The krona fell almost two percentage points against a basket of European currencies after the data were released. The Deutsche mark rose to 4.566 kronor from 4.4700. "People just panicked when the crown started to plunge," one currency dealer said. Yields on short-term bonds rose. The return on the benchmark government bond due 1994 was up 9 basis points, to 7.74 percent. (AFX, Reuters, Knight-Ridder, AFP)

Investor's Europe
Table with columns for country, stock index, and change. Includes entries for France (CAC 40), Germany (DAX), Italy (ISEQ), Spain (IBEX 35), etc.

Very briefly:

- Dassault Aviation SA said it had won an order from a "large Russian company" for two Falcon 900-B aircraft, with the first due for delivery this summer.
• BSN, the French food and beverage concern, said the EC Commission had given final clearance to its purchase of the Volvic brand from Source Perrier SA.
• DAF Trucks NV does not expect to report a loss in 1993 and will double production levels, to 40 vehicles a day, starting in August, its chairman, Cor Baan, told the Amsterdam daily De Telegraaf.
• Compagnie Financière de Groupe Victoire's chairman, Gerard Worms, said he expected 1993 net profit to be higher than last year's 214 million French francs (\$37.5 million) but lower than the 1.8 billion francs posted in 1991.
• Statoil has acquired 240 service stations in Sweden from British Petroleum PLC, increasing its Swedish market share to 26 percent from 18 percent, Statoil said, without disclosing financial details. (AFX, AFP)

Peugeot Less Bearish Than the Market

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches
PARIS — PSA Peugeot Citroën executives said Wednesday that analysts' 1993 estimates for the company and the European car industry were too weak, although even their more optimistic outlook does not include a profit for the French automaker.

Jacques Calvet, the chairman, predicted the European car market would shrink between 12 percent and 13 percent this year. Analysts and competing carmakers have been estimating a contraction of 15 percent to 20 percent. Yann Delabarre, the chief financial officer, said analysts' forecasts for Peugeot were not realistic if

Mr. Calvet's estimate of the market was correct. Analysts have predicted a 1993 net loss for Peugeot of between 1.5 billion and 2.5 billion French francs (\$264.2 million to \$440.4 million). In 1992, Peugeot earned 3.37 billion francs, which was a 39 percent drop from the level in the previous year. Mr. Calvet's prediction would require an improvement for the European car market in the second half. During the first five months, sales in the European Community have fallen 17.9 percent from the same period last year. Peugeot's June sales were in line with the first five months. Mr. Calvet said Peugeot's recovery should

come about in the second half due to the quality of the company's models and strict control of costs. He said job losses would be required. Supporting Mr. Calvet's forecast, Peugeot said its new-car orders were down just 10 percent in June from the like month a year earlier. Orders indicate cars likely to be bought in the coming month, unlike the sales figures, which are taken from new-car registrations. The orders are less disappointing than prior sales thanks in part to the introduction this month of diesel versions of the new Peugeot 306 and Citroën Xantia, company executives said. (Bloomberg, Reuters)

Jail Terms Sought for 3 in Pechiney Case

Agence France-Press
PARIS — The prosecution urged jail terms on Wednesday for the three main defendants in a scandal involving alleged insider trading in connection with a U.S. acquisition by the government-owned company Pechiney SA.

Prosecutor Jean-Claude Marin asked the maximum of two years in prison with none of it suspended for Alain Boublil, chief of staff to the late Pierre-Bergé, when the latter was finance minister in 1988.

The prosecution asked the court to sentence the Lebanese financier Samir Traboulsi to two years, one suspended, and a fine of 80 million francs (\$14 million), and the French businessman Max Thuret to three years, two of them suspended, plus a fine of 2.5 million francs. Mr. Boublil resigned from Mr. Bergé's staff after accusations of being the source of inside information about the impending Pechiney business deal to take over the U.S. packaging concern, American National Can Co. The deal allegedly resulted in large profits for some investors. The defendants were accused of buying large numbers of shares in the U.S. company before the takeover.

LVMH Weighs Kenzo Purchase

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PARIS — Bernard Arnault, head of the French luxury-goods concern LVMH Moët Hennessy Louis Vuitton SA, wants to acquire a controlling stake in the fashion house Kenzo to add to his empire, sources at LVMH said Wednesday.

They said the deal should be wrapped up this week. LVMH already owns 25 percent of Paris-based Kenzo, which was founded by the Japanese designer Kenzo Takada about 20 years ago. Known for its bold colors and sharp lines, its up-market clothes are sold under franchise around the world. "The French company is now seeking to gain full control by buying the 65 percent stake held by Mr. Takada and his associate, Atsuko

Kondo, as well as the 10 percent stake held by his manager. French newspapers speculated that the exercise marked a bold new move on the part of Mr. Arnault to shore up divisions which have fallen as recession bites into sales of luxury goods. "Rarely one to be satisfied with a

S&P Reviews French Bank
Knight-Ridder
NEW YORK — Standard and Poor's Corp. said Wednesday that it may cut its long-term and short-term ratings for Crédit Lyonnais. It said the French bank's performance was "sensitive" due to expansion in real estate, cinema and other higher-yield lending areas.

minority position, the head of LVMH therefore very quickly began talks to take total control of Kenzo," said the daily Les Echos. It said that Kenzo, with a net profit this year equivalent to 46.4 million French francs (\$8.2 million), could be incorporated into the LVMH group, helping to offset a loss in its Christian Lacroix haute-couture subsidiary and a downturn in its champagne business.

Mr. Arnault, who built an empire through acquisitions, won control of a brand of the world's best-known brand names such as Moët, Chandon champagne, Louis Vuitton luggage and Christian Dior fashion and perfume. Many of his purchases are carried out through a complex network of financial holding companies. (AFP, Reuters)

Greenalls to Make Bid for Devenish

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LONDON — Greenalls Group PLC said Wednesday it was making a friendly bid for J.A. Devenish PLC, a rival owner of British pubs. Greenalls, which values Devenish at £214.3 million (\$318 million), said the offer for Devenish shares would be composed of a mixture of new Greenalls ordinary shares and convertible bonds.

Greenalls said the acquisition of Devenish would give the company approximately 550 pubs, creating a network of more than 2,000. It will also allow Greenalls to expand into areas of the country where it currently has little or no representation. Some Devenish directors and shareholders had said they would accept the offer, Greenalls said, adding that they account for 14.5 million shares, or 26.36 percent of the ordinary share capital of Devenish. Greenalls said full acceptance of the offer for Devenish ordinary and preference shares would result in the issue of 27.5 million new Greenalls ordinary shares, equivalent to about 13.6 percent of the company's enlarged share capital. (Bloomberg, AFX)

Ex-Head of Rumasa Upheld But Gets No Compensation

Strasbourg, France — The European Court of Human Rights ruled on Wednesday that Spain had failed to give José María Ruiz Mateos a fair trial over the state takeover of his business empire Rumasa, but dismissed his 2 trillion peseta (\$15 billion) compensation claim. The court ruled, 22 to 2, that Spanish justice had taken too long before rejecting an appeal by Mr. Ruiz Mateos. The appeal was rejected in 1991, almost eight years after the takeover. It also ruled, 18 to 6, that his rights to a fair trial had been infringed. But the court said there was no link between the violations of his rights and the damage claimed, and no evidence the Spanish Constitutional Court would have declared the takeover illegal if his rights had been upheld.

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Deutsche Girozentrale International S.A. advertisement. Text: "The Euromarkets are highly contested in all fields and therefore very efficient. This was illustrated once again during the turbulent months marked by the upheavals in the European monetary system." Includes financial highlights table for 1992 and 1991, and contact information for 16, Boulevard Royal, L-2449 Luxembourg.

SECRET CODES advertisement. Text: "Calling one foreign country from another is no secret. With these simple access codes." Includes list of countries and their respective codes.

Sprint advertisement. Text: "Whether you're trying to reach another country overseas, or call back to the U.S., Sprint Express can help. Just dial the access code of the country you're in to reach an English-speaking Sprint operator." Includes list of countries and their Sprint Express access codes.

Handwritten signature: JAVICO USA

Beijing Breaks Up Vast Bond Swindle

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BEIJING — China said Wednesday that it had broken up a fraud ring that bilked investors of more than \$175 million over a four-year period.

The financial debacle, involving more than 1 billion yuan and as many as 100,000 investors, revolved around a pyramid scheme built on impossibly high interest rates.

In releasing news of the arrest of Shen Taifu, chairman of the Beijing Great Wall Machinery & Electronics Group, the authorities warned that abuses of the country's fledgling market economy would not be tolerated.

Hong Kong newspapers have said that up to 120 government officials also were under investigation in connection with the scheme, including at least one deputy minister.

Assets of Mr. Shen's company and its subsidiaries have been frozen and will be distributed to investors in proportion to the money they lost, the official Xinhua news agency said. But it said that auditors did not expect to find much money left.

Mr. Shen, 39, was arrested March 31 while trying to leave Beijing just after announcing at a news conference that he had sued the People's Bank of China for allegedly interfering in his business operations.

Xinhua gave no explanation for the delay in reporting the arrest. According to the news agency, Mr. Shen violated government regulations by issuing the bonds to investors in 17 cities throughout China. Mr. Shen said that the bonds, which had interest rates as high as 48 percent, represented only one-tenth of the company's capital.

Xinhua said that Mr. Shen had opened 120 subsidiary offices around the country, and had spent lavishly on decorating and other expenses.

Hong Kong newspapers reported last week that Li Xiaoshi, deputy minister of the State Science and Technology Commission, had been arrested for taking bribes from Mr. Shen. One report said Mr. Li took the bribes in return for approval for Mr. Shen's plan to sell bonds.

(Reuters, AFP, UPI)

Singapore Air Bucks Merger Trend

By Michael Richardson
International Herald Tribune

SINGAPORE — Singapore Airlines, going against conventional wisdom, is skeptical that mergers and megacorporations will rule the skies of the future.

Although buffeted by a sharp drop in operating profit and uncertainty about the fate of its commercial alliance with Swissair and Delta Airlines, the airline, known as SIA, seems set to continue a policy of rapid expansion as an independent national flag carrier.

While Swissair is planning to form a joint operating company with KLM Royal Dutch Airlines, SAS and Austrian Airlines, SIA is wary of merging with other airlines to achieve economies of scale.

"We think that the jury is still out on whether mergers will be a feature of the aviation industry tomorrow," said Cheong Choon Keng, the airline's managing director. "On the other hand, if we continue to grow at the rate we are growing now, we can be quite big eventually, but through organic growth, not through mergers and acquisitions."

Singapore Airlines, which is 54 percent state owned, is the most consistently profitable airline in the world and the fifth largest in terms of number of passengers carried and distance flown each year.

It is committed to spend several billion U.S. dollars to expand its fleet of passenger and cargo aircraft from 56 today to 76 by 1996.

The airline reported last month that group net profit for the year ended March 31 fell by just over 8 percent, to \$51 million. Singapore Airlines reported a 10 percent increase in industrial nations, competition from other airlines and a strong local currency.

However, after earnings by ground-handling subsidiaries and other units in the group are excluded, the operating profit of the airline dropped 24 percent to \$35 million.

The problem, said Fon Jon Min, an analyst at Crosby Securities Ltd., is that the airline's fleet expansion over the last few years coincided with a period of slow economic growth, as well as cut-throat competition that includes heavy discounting on a number of routes.

"Traffic growth has not been able to catch up with capacity growth," she said. Average passenger occupancy per SIA aircraft fell to 71.3 percent in 1992-93, from 73.5 percent the year before.

According to the International Air Transport Association, the average passenger load factor on international scheduled services for its 217 member airlines in calendar 1992 was 65.9 percent, the same level as in 1991.

Miss Foo forecasts a modest rise of about 6 percent in the net profit of the SIA group in 1993-94, followed by a 19 percent increase in 1994-95 as widespread cancellations of new aircraft orders by other carriers reduce overcapacity and conditions in the aviation industry improve.

SIA thought it had found the right formula for continued growth when it created the basis for the first interconnecting global airways system through the triangular alliance with Swissair and Delta in 1989.

The trio seemed well suited to share services, mesh schedules and funnel passengers to each other. SIA's strength was in the Asia-Pacific region, Swissair's in Europe and Delta's in North America. The three carriers bought small equity stakes in each other but remained their independent.

Analysts said that Delta regarded Swissair's decision to team up with KLM, which has a 20 percent stake in Northwest Airlines, and SAS, which has a 10 percent stake in Continental Airlines, as a potential conflict of interest.

Mr. Cheong said that when the planned alliance by the four European carriers took firm shape, "then I suppose it is inevitable that Swissair, Delta and SIA will get together to talk about how it affects our own global excellence alliance."

SIA, in an abortive attempt to extend its international alliance network, lost to its arch-rival British Airways in bidding late last year for a 25 percent stake in Australia's Qantas Airways.

One option now being studied by SIA is to buy a substantial stake in Ansett Australia and develop close operational ties.

Ansett, jointly owned by Rupert Murdoch's News Corp. and the Australia-based transport conglomerate TNT Ltd., controls almost 60 percent of Australia's domestic airline market, flies to and within New Zealand, and plans to expand into Asia starting with a regular service to Bali, Indonesia, in September.

Ansett, which has a debt of about 2.5 billion Australian dollars (\$1.69 billion), recently asked SIA, which is cash-rich and debt-free, to consider equity participation.

While some analysts see such a marriage as a way for SIA to outflank Qantas and BA by drawing more Australian passengers into its international network, the costs could outweigh the benefits.

SIA appears cautious. Mr. Cheong described the talks with Ansett as "very exploratory" and "still extremely tentative."

SIA has 35 aircraft on firm order from Boeing Co. and Airbus. It also has options for 28 more planes, including 13 Boeing 747-400 long-haul passenger jets, 2 Boeing 747-400 freighters, and 13 Airbus A340-300 ultralong-range passenger transports.

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Airlines Seek New U.S. Pacts

Blomberg Business Week

HONG KONG — Asia's airlines have united to demand that Washington renegotiate bilateral air agreements to allow the carriers greater access to the United States.

The Manila-based Orient Airlines Association, with 14 members, said Wednesday that Asian governments should seek to change the agreements. The group said that many of its carriers "suffer bilateral restrictions in developing intercontinental routes, which places them at a significant disadvantage to other international carriers, particularly those from the United States."

It said U.S.-Asia pacts, many of which were negotiated in the 1950s and 1960s, "no longer provide an acceptable balance of frequency allocation and gateway accessibility."

Asian airlines are restricted to flights to and from nine U.S. cities, but American carriers can fly to and from Asia through 21 U.S. cities, the association said.

Among the cities the Asian carriers are not allowed to serve are Boston, Dallas, Washington, Seattle and Detroit.

The profitability of some of Asia's largest airlines has suffered from intense competition with major U.S. carriers.

In addition to Cathay Pacific, the association includes Air New Zealand, Air Niugini, All Nippon Airways, China Airlines, Garuda Indonesia, Japan Airlines, Korean Air, Malaysia Airlines, Philippine Airlines, Qantas Airways, Royal Brunei Airlines, Singapore Airlines and Thai Airways International.

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Shipyards Added to South Korea's Labor Disputes

Reuters

SEOUL — Workers at South Korea's two largest shipyards notified management Wednesday that strikes were possible, adding to the growing list of disputes.

Union spokesmen at Hyundai Heavy Industries Co., part of the Hyundai Group, and Daewoo Shipbuilding & Heavy Machinery Co., of the Daewoo Group, said they would consider action after a mandatory 10-day cooling period.

They did not specify what moves were planned to support their demand for better pay and conditions.

"We will continue to hold negotiations with management," said a union spokesman at Hyundai Heavy. "But if they refuse to accept our demands, they leave us no choice but to take action after 10 days."

A spokesman for the Federation of Hyundai Labor Unions said nine out of Hyundai's 34 units had reported labor disputes. "That's the figure so far, but it is expected to rise as more companies fail to reach agreement," the spokesman said.

Workers at Hyundai Motor Co. are laying down their tools for two hours a day to press claims for better pay and conditions. A Hyundai Motor spokesman said if the union walked out, the company would face daily losses of 30 billion won (\$37.5 million).

Workers at Hyundai Precision & Industries Co. laid down their tools on June 5. The company said it faced daily losses of 3.8 billion won.

A Daewoo spokesman said on Wednesday that any industrial action at its Okpo shipyard on the south coast would be illegal. He added that he was optimistic that a negotiated settlement would be reached during the 10-day cooling period, which is compulsory under the law in South Korea.

A union spokesman said 51 percent of its 8,413 members at Okpo took part in the ballot, and the vote for industrial action was more than 96 percent in favor.

Labor Minister Rhee In Je, worried about the rash of disputes, arrived in the southeastern city of Ulsan where most citizens rely directly or indirectly on Hyundai.

"Rhee is expected to hold talks with Hyundai unionists and management to help resolve the crisis as soon as possible," a ministry official said on Wednesday.

A total of 224 labor disputes were reported in South Korea this month, an increase of about 15 percent over last year, union figures showed. Despite the unrest, the figures for the first five months of 1993 showed reported labor disputes down 43.6 percent from 760 cases in the same period of last year.

South Korean newspapers voiced concern over the spread of labor strife and its effect on the economy, which was showing signs of recovery in the first five months of the year.

The trade deficit fell during the period to \$1.99 billion, from \$4.99 billion a year earlier.

Textile Protest in Dhaka
Riot police in Dhaka halted some 400 angry textile workers protesting plans to place their government-owned factories under private enterprise, Agence France-Presse reported on Wednesday. The workers were attempting to march on Parliament.

The protest coincided with an announcement that the Bangladesh government had decided to sell off 10 textile mills. Union leaders said the government was bowing to the pressure of donor agencies, particularly the World Bank.

The government has offered voluntary retirement in many public enterprises, including the Bangladesh Railway.

China's GNP Keeps Racing Ahead of Projections

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

BEIJING — The Chinese government, confirming that the economy was surging faster than previously expected, said Wednesday that gross national product rose 15.3 percent in the first quarter of 1993 from a year ago and that year-to-year growth for the first half was expected to be 13 to 14 percent.

The GNP had been expected to increase at a rate of 8 to 9 percent in 1993, according to estimates made at the beginning of the year.

Deputy Prime Minister Zhu Rongji said in May that the rate could reach 10 percent.

The new growth rates were reported in the state-controlled People's Daily but actual GNP figures were not given. The State Statistical Bureau had already said that the first quarter's gross domestic product, a slightly less comprehensive figure, rose 14 percent to 527.8 billion yuan (\$92.67 billion) from a year ago.

One factor explaining the sharp growth was high foreign investment. The People's Daily said the amount of foreign investment absorbed in the first four months of the year was 47.9 percent higher than in the same period of 1992.

Again, no figure was provided. The government has sounded warnings about the dangers of inflation as state-owned companies spend record amounts on expansion projects. The push to expand has created shortages of raw materials and fuel. Some raw-material prices have risen 50 to 70 percent from a year ago and retail prices in cities are up nearly 17 percent.

A Beijing-controlled newspaper in Hong Kong, Wen Wei Po, said last week that using Western-style economic levers such as increasing interest rates would not work and that the government would have to resort to issuing direct orders to banks and companies to reduce loans and spending. This is the move that many companies have been racing to beat. (AP, AFP)

Japan pledged in April to cut auto exports to the Community by 9.4 percent this year. The accord was based on a forecast of a 6.5 percent decline in the European market. It now appears that there will be a double-digit decline.

In Brussels, the EC Commission welcomed the Japanese decision but added a note of caution.

"It may take more than one meeting to come to a reasonable forecast and the technical officials will want to refer to their authorities," said a spokesman for the EC industry commissioner, Martin Bangemann. (AFP, AP)

Toshiba, Motorola Plan Chip Plant in Japan

Agence France-Presse

TOKYO — Toshiba Corp. and Motorola Inc. announced Wednesday an agreement to invest 80 billion yen (\$727 million) in an advanced semiconductor plant in northern Japan.

The new facility, located next to an existing plant in Sendai run by their joint venture, Toshiba Semiconductor Corp., will have a monthly output capacity of 3 million 16-megabit dynamic random-access memory, or D-RAM, chips by 1995. Toshiba will provide production technology for the new plant. The joint venture was established six years ago.

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Singapore	Straits Times	1,791.11	1,787.68	+0.19
Sydney	All Ordinaries	1,698.80	1,716.70	-1.04
Tokyo	Nikkei 225	19,482.52	19,538.30	-0.28
Kuala Lumpur	Composite	717.98	724.96	-0.97
Bangkok	SET	910.33	903.64	+0.75
Seoul	Composite Stock	782.53	770.62	+1.05
Taipei	Weighted Price	4,182.17	4,062.49	+1.72
Manila	Composite	1,554.86	1,588.96	-0.91
Jakarta	Stock Index	N.A.	356.18	
New Zealand	NZSE-40	1,645.31	1,646.28	-0.06
Bombay	National Index	1,041.80	1,051.00	-0.88

Sources: Reuters, AFP
International Herald Tribune

Very briefly:

- Hochtief Corp. has purchased a 25 percent stake in an oil field off the Vietnam coast from Da Nang, from Broken Hill Pty., for an undisclosed amount. Meanwhile, Hochtief is studying plans to launch more than 40 ventures in the synthetic-resins business in China with the state-owned China National Petrochemicals Co.
- Matsushita Electric Works Ltd. intends to form three joint ventures in China with local partners, covering production of control equipment, circuit boards and home appliances.
- McDonnell Douglas Corp. received an order for an MD-11 from Shanghai-based China Eastern Airlines, while Taiwan's main domestic carrier, Far Eastern Transport Corp., has ordered two MD-82s.

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SPORTS BASEBALL

Woe Is the Mets' Young, The Worst Since 1911

By Joe Sexton
New York Times Service

NEW YORK — Anthony Young, 22 straight defeats on his mind and a sad immortality on the line, wanted nothing more than to get the losing to stop. The New York Mets played as if they had no idea how to win. It was nothing novel. Nothing charged.

And so the Mets, who are always more at odds with themselves than with their opponents, lost to the Montreal Expos, 6-3 on Tuesday night in Shea Stadium. They put four errors on the scoreboard and Young's name in the record book. His 23rd straight defeat equaled the sorry major league standard set by Bill Carrigan of the Boston Braves in 1911.

"Am I that bad?" Young asked in the Mets clubhouse.

He is, according to the record book.

The eight battles he began the season as a reliever, was asked to make Tuesday night's start on three days' rest. He did, with blind faith and little else. The rest of the Mets looked like they were playing on six months' rest.

Young was forced to obtain six outs in the second inning. He had then got four outs in the fourth. The ball game was in jeopardy. Some things weren't made, and still others were made poorly. The team's extreme inattentiveness resulted in a poor performance. Young out never be able to ease.

"It's hard to believe," he said. "Who would want to be 0-23?"

Young, who had come to endure his cruel celebrity with apparent calm, could have been forgiven for counting unglazed after his first encounter of the night. Delino DeShields' grounder to second was nuplayed by Doug Saunders, a rookie who played like a one-man wrecking crew of Young's hopes. It was ruled a hit. It was a generous call. The Mets, though, would be the night's great philanthropist.

The Expos scored three unearned runs in the second. Eddie Murray's error on Frank Bolick's leadoff grounder to first set the stage, and Darnin Fletcher was safe a second later when Saunders again couldn't field an ordinary grounder. Two Expos were on base, and Young was on edge.

The right-hander, who is 0-11 as a starter and 0-12 as a reliever in his run at the record, then walked Wil Cordero to lead the bases. A grounder got a run across and then DeShields' single to left produced two more and a 3-0 lead as third baseman Jeff Kent failed to throw the relay to second base to get DeShields.

Young in harm's way for two seasons now, was there again in the fifth. His pitch total was climbing toward the six-inning final number of 113. He had next to nothing. Moses Alou singled and one out later so did Larry Walker. Both advanced a base when shortstop Tim Lincecum couldn't come up with Darnin Jackson's casual throw back to the infield after Walker's single.

Young, his arm drooping and his radar gun numbers sinking, then walked Bolick and Fletcher to force in a run. Mike Lansing's grounder jacked the score to 5-0. The mood was somber. Young was stone-faced.

So it was that with trash swirling through a stadium with about as many people in it as an off-Broadway theater, Bobby Bonilla grounded out to the pitcher with the bases loaded in the third. Bonilla struck out with a man on in the fifth on a disputed call and suddenly night's sense of simmering disgust detonated.

Bonilla argued with Umpire Charlie Williams. Manager Dallas Green argued, stirred, got thrown out and kicked dirt on the plate and on Williams. He fired a stool out of the dugout. Not long afterward, Young was sent out of the dugout, too, to take the mound for the sixth inning.

It seemed a needless punishment. Yes, another inning gave him another chance for a comeback to reverse his fate. But it also left him vulnerable to falling further behind. He did, almost right away.

Alou bombed a pitch 415 feet to left. It hit the back of the bullpen. It sealed Young's entry into infamy. Pitching on nothing more than instincts, Young completed the inning and disappeared into the clubhouse. He will next be seen taking the mound with his 24th straight defeat at stake.



Anthony Young during 23d straight loss: "Am I that bad?"

The Commissioner in Exile Vincent's at Peace on Banks of Thames

By George Vecsey
New York Times Service

SUTTON COURTENAY, England — He is the last commissioner. Like other potentates who avoided the firing squad through mercy or luck, he carries his exile with him.

Napoleon went to Elba. The last emperor of China puttered around his homeland after years of captivity. The odd European nobles wind up on the gilded coast of the Mediterranean.

Fay Vincent chose the banks of the Thames, the great brook, pungent tidal river of London but the sweet, narrow Thames between Oxford and Henley, where the trees grow thick at the bank.

One night he was nearly alone in his rented house, expecting a plethora of Bushes from the States, when the night was pierced by arc lights from a hovering helicopter.

Soon the police emerged from the darkness and began grappling for the body of a man who had tumbled off the dock upstream after celebrating his birthday a bit too much.

They found the body at the edge of the garden "where I sit and smoke my cigar," Vincent said with a chuckle.

Otherwise, the four months have been peaceful. The home is owned by a woman with connections to the royal family. There are glass dishes commemorating the coronation of King George VI in 1936.

The hired couple serves fresh fruit salad on the dishes once used by the queen mother. The eclectic guests include Jack Ryan, an American priest from Vincent's proud Jesuit connections; Hugh Williams, a British friend from Vincent's Hollywood days; Bob Elliott, a lawyer friend from Vincent's Washington days; and Bob and Carol Stegmann of Delaware.

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exile on eight acres along the Thames. The Mill House was the final home of Herbert Asquith, the prime minister of England from 1908 to 1916, who is buried in the simple country cemetery of the 12th-century Norman All Saints Church down the street, not far from the tombstone of Eric Blair, better known as George Orwell.

Vincent has a known power like Asquith, and now he writes, like Orwell. This is not a true political exile, but in the style of a man who once applied to be a Jesuit priest, this is a spiritual retreat, a sabbatical of the soul.

"The book everybody wants from me is about baseball," Vincent says. "But I wanted to write something positive, so I'm writing

"You can't be in a position where you're afraid of offending people," Vincent said. "It would be like a federal judge worrying about lawyers. That is not to say they can't fire you at the end of your term or get you for moral turpitude or something like that."

Instead, they got him for trying to prod them into one cohesive industry, with common interests, with a vision of the future. He tried to get them to work together.

"You know, I've had time to study the history of the commission-ship," Vincent said. "Landis had broad powers, so maybe they didn't want Chandler to have so much. When Ford Frick became commissioner, they took away the 'best-interests-of-the-game' clause,

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Fay Vincent

and when he retired, he made a very eloquent speech for them to put it back. There is an ebb and flow to baseball. Maybe it will come back."

A visitor from the States brings news that Michael Jordan and Charles Barkley have been dominating the sports news far into June and says he has made the bizarre discovery that pro basketball is currently the hottest sport.

Vincent thinks about this for a moment and then announces, "Aw, you'll get over it."

He remembers a young man who came up to Giamatti and asked him a question about basketball: "Basketball, young man? Bart asked. 'You want me to discuss basketball?' Thumpy-thumpy-thumpy-swish. Basketball." And with his fingers, Vincent imitated Giamatti's fingers portraying an endless parade of giants up and down the court going thumpy.

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Friends have tried to get him to watch cricket on the television, but Vincent is not yet a convert.

"Cricket," he said, "is the only thing that stops them in tea. Here, all the great cricket players are knighted. Nobody knighted American baseball players."

Maybe not, but Vincent recalled the awe he and Giamatti felt being able to associate with Williams and DiMaggio and the great players from the old Negro Leagues like Double-Du Radcliffe, the American warrior-knight.

Here alongside the sweet-flowing Thames, Fay Vincent talked of his wife and three children, his home in Greenwich, Connecticut, his place on Cape Cod.

Will he venture to the ball park? Not yet, he said. It's too soon. Then he paused and said: "Oh, maybe Fenway. It's my favorite park. Just to see a game. Maybe. If somebody has a ticket. It's a great way to visit with friends."

While Tigers Are Away, Blue Jays Aim to Play

The Associated Press

White Sox — Detroit figures to start the season on a high note. The Tigers, who have lost their last seven games, will be looking for a win against the Blue Jays.

Gomez homered to start the sixth and Grieg Olson with his 20th hit. The Blue Jays led 3-1 in the seventh.

Bids for Orioles Go Up, Up, Up

Washington Post Service

NEW YORK — The price offered for the Baltimore Orioles rose to \$7 million on Wednesday as the team's price tag climbed.

With 'Mile-High' Scores, Reds Beat the Rockies

The Associated Press

According to the scoreboard, it appeared that Mike High Stadium's lights were lit for the first time.

four Chicago batters and walked none in Pittsburgh as he pitched a complete game for the first time.

AL ROUNDUP

Baltimore Orioles — Steve Howe (1-1) pitched a complete game for the Orioles, leading them to a 4-1 victory over the Blue Jays.

Blue Jays — The Jays lost to the Orioles, 4-1.

Detroit Tigers — The Tigers lost to the Blue Jays, 3-1.

NL ROUNDUP

Cincinnati Reds — The Reds won against the Colorado Rockies, 5-1.

St. Louis Cardinals — The Cardinals won against the Pittsburgh Pirates, 3-1.

Philadelphia Phillies — The Phillies won against the San Diego Padres, 2-1.

PEANUTS

Woodward

STRIKE ONE! — Snoopy is trying to play baseball.

ONLY A GIRL! — Snoopy is talking to Woodstock.

WELL, I'M ONLY YOUR SISTER, YOU BLOCKHEAD! — Snoopy is talking to Woodstock.

BLONDIE

DePue

IT'S ALWAYS DIG THIS! — Blondie is talking to Dag.

IT DRIVES ME CRAZY! — Blondie is talking to Dag.

WHAT DOES HE WANT YOU TO DIG? — Blondie is talking to Dag.

WIZARD OF ID

Walt Kelly

THE ONLY THING THAT WILL SAVE YOU IS A PHONE CALL FROM THE KING. — Wizard is talking to a man.

OH, HI, OWEN... NOT MUCH... HOW 'BOUT YOU? — Wizard is talking to Owen.

SURE HOPE THAT THINGS GOT CALL WAITING. — Wizard is talking to Owen.

CALVIN AND HOBBS

Bill Wattson

THURSDAY, DAY 4 — Calvin and Hobbes are talking about the weather.

I'M ONLY BURPING — NOT TRULY BELCHING. MELLOW BOUNDRNESS REMAINS ELUSIVE. WARMTHS COMING ALONG WITH DEVELOPING AMPLITUDE HANG IN THERE. — Calvin is talking to Hobbes.

THEY SAY YOU SHOULD KEEP A LOG WHEN YOU TAKE UP A SPORT. — Calvin is talking to Hobbes.

REX MORGAN

Walt Kelly

I'M SERIOUS, KEITH... YOUR EXPERIENCES WITH TROPICAL DISEASES WOULD BE VERY INTERESTING TO OUR MEMBERS! — Rex is talking to Keith.

YOU'RE KIDDING! THESE PEOPLE MIGHT GET THEIR ENTIRE CAREERS WITHOUT EVEN SEEING A CASE OF MALARIA! — Keith is talking to Rex.

THAT DOESN'T MEAN THEY WOULD BE GETTING YOUR WORK IN THE BUSH FASCINATING! — Rex is talking to Keith.

COME ON, KEITH... DO IT! I'LL STAY AN EXTRA DAY JUST TO HEAR YOU SPEAK! — Rex is talking to Keith.

DENNIS THE MENACE

Frank R. King

DO I WANT KNOW WHAT HARBORERS SEEN IN THE... — Dennis is talking to a man.

JUMBLE

What the jumble puzzle is all about is explained in the cartoon below.

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H.P. FOLEY BAILEY

Walt Kelly

ANY TIME THERE'S ANY DIGGING TO DO, SARGE HANDS ME A SHOVEL. — H.P. is talking to Sarge.

IT'S ALWAYS DIG THIS! DIG THAT! — H.P. is talking to Sarge.

IT DRIVES ME CRAZY! — H.P. is talking to Sarge.

WHAT DOES HE WANT YOU TO DIG? — H.P. is talking to Sarge.

BEATS ME. I NEVER DO ANY OF IT. — Sarge is talking to H.P.

DOONSBURY

Walt Kelly

REALLY? I NEVER TOLD YOU! WASN'T HARRY TOWN IN A PREVIOUS LIFE? — Doonsbury is talking to a man.

NEVER! BOY, ARE YOU HOPPER BEEZED! — Doonsbury is talking to a man.

OH, BOSS, I DON'T KNOW IF YOU'VE MET MY MORN. — Doonsbury is talking to a man.

NOT ABOUT HARRY! HEY, WHAT DOES THE PERSON IN THE KOREAN BAR, ANOTHER HARRY YOU GET COUPED INTO THAT TUNGER? — Doonsbury is talking to a man.

UM... — Doonsbury is talking to a man.

I DON'T KNOW IF YOU'VE MET MY MORN. — Doonsbury is talking to a man.

HEY, CHAD! YOU REMEMBER WHICH LIP SLAPS YOU MORE TO THE FRENCH REVOLUTION! — Doonsbury is talking to a man.

GARFIELD

Jim Davis

I DON'T SUPPOSE IT WOULD HURT TO ASK. — Garfield is talking to a man.

MAY I BORROW A CUP OF SPARROW? — Garfield is talking to a man.

ACTUALLY, IT'D HURT. — Garfield is talking to a man.

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Some Opening Lines

WASHINGTON — Vacation time is here and, as is my usual practice, I am providing some ways for you to get attention from summer acquaintances.

Every time the president nominates me for a government position, he asks me to withdraw my name.

I saw Hillary at a health conference last week, and she said that I had never looked better.

Chelsea gave my daughter her peanut butter sandwich at lunch and my daughter gave Chelsea her Swiss cheese on rye in exchange — now they're close friends.

I always pay Social Security taxes for my domestic help just in case Ralph gets an appointment to the federal bench.

I would rather have a gay son willing to serve in the army than a heterosexual one who refuses to fight.

Studio Claims Infringement on Things Jurassic

The Associated Press — An exhibition of animated dinosaurs has riled lawyers at Universal Pictures who claim the name "Jurassic Park" is stepping on the toes of its dinosaur spectacular.

The studio, which released the movie "Jurassic Park" this month, has demanded that the Erie Zoological Society stop using the name for its exhibition or face a lawsuit.

"I thought it was kind of flattering," John J. Quinn, president of the zoo's board, said. "Our little old zoo in Erie is being sued by these big Hollywood moguls."

But Quinn and the zoo's director, Jim Rhea, said they would probably change the name to avoid a fight.

"We'll probably call it 'Dinosaur Park' or something," Quinn said.

Dr. Keverkian is now our family doctor.

If David Gerger can't save this country, then the country isn't worth saving.

We were going to buy a Gulfstream private plane but decided to purchase a baseball player instead.

I saw Robert Redford talking to my wife, and whatever he said he got her attention.

If they raise the price of gas by four and a half cents, we're going to sell our Ferrari.

Victor thinks that Sharon Stone's ears are too tiny.

We had a fun evening with Al Gore.

The last time I cut my husband's hair I charged him \$200.

We weren't invited to the Japanese crown prince's wedding, but we'll send them the Tupperware anyway.

Just because a Bosnian Muslim is going to meet a Serb doesn't necessarily mean that somebody is about to have a nice day.

We would go to the White House more often, but Charlie is allergic to cats.

My son has been elected social director of the Navy's Tailgate Association.

I love to book my trips through the White House Travel Office.

How is the Supreme Court going to get a winning softball team if they keep appointing women to the bench?

My daughter loves to cook but hates being a genetic engineer.

We had dinner on Continental Airlines, and every dish was a work of art.

Whenever we go to Virginia and buy a gun, we feel that the trip was really worthwhile.

We were on our way to the Louvre but we canceled to go to the Dan Quayle Museum in Indiana instead.

My father was an outspoken Air Force general until last week.

I am willing to pay my own health costs if someone will pick up my dog's bills from the veterinarian.

If women in the military have the same opportunities as men, why don't they let my daughter strafe Somalia?

Stepping Into Tina Turner's Spike Heels

By Bernard Weinraub

LOS ANGELES — "Jurassic Park" may be the summer's biggest movie success so far, but the surprise hit is the splashy, highly charged musical melodrama "What's Love Got To Do With It."

Adapted from Tina Turner's autobiography, "I, Tina," written by Turner and Kurt Loder, the movie chronicles the singer's ferocious 16-year marriage and musical partnership with Ike Turner, the blues musician who discovered her and tore her down by beating and otherwise abusing her. The film was directed by Brian Gibson, from a screenplay by Kate Lanier.

Angela Bassett, a 34-year-old actress who is alternately intense, engaging, and unusually candid, remains transfixed by a role that has the potential to change her career. Her performance as Tina Turner, and that of Laurence Fishburne as Ike Turner, has been widely praised.

"Why?" Bassett said in an interview the other day. "People keep asking me why Tina took it for so long! There are limits for her, for me, for everybody. One week was my mother's limit. It was her second husband. The man was nice and docile for four years of courtship. She got married to him on a Sunday. The following Saturday he raised his hand and fractured her nose. The next day the marriage was annulled. That was it. That's my example. So my limit is nil. For Tina, the limit was much longer."

"This is about domination, trying to control, using brute strength, and it's not just about poorer women. I'm a woman of the '90s, and I went to Yale University and got two degrees and, oh, while I was at Yale I had girlfriends whose boyfriends were beating them up, and they were in the university health services with braces around their necks. And here we are in a bastion of intellect, one of the great universities in the world. It happens everywhere."

Rearred by an aunt in Harlem until she was 5, Bassett moved to St. Petersburg, Florida, with her mother, Betty Bassett, who worked for the state's Health and Human Services Agency. Her parents were divorced when she was a young child.

"The first time I acted was in high school in Florida, and when I heard that applause I felt so alive and felt that electricity go up my spine," Bassett said. "It's still that way now. I love doing this so much."

A class trip to Washington included seeing James Earl Jones in "Of Mice and Men" at the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts. The performance left her weeping and determined to study acting.



Angela Bassett as Tina Turner in "What's Love Got To Do With It," which has become a summer hit in the United States.

After receiving both a bachelor's degree and a master's degree in drama from Yale, which she attended on scholarship, Bassett went to New York City and found parts in two August Wilson plays, "Ma Rainey's Black Bottom" and "Joe Turner's Come and Gone."

She moved to Los Angeles in 1988 because acting jobs were more available, and quickly began working on television shows, including "Equal Justice" and "Tour of Duty." John Sayles, the director, cast her in "City of Hope," and then she landed substantial roles, playing the mother of a troubled teenager in "Boyz n the Hood" and Michael Jackson's mother in "The Jacksons: An American Dream," her biggest role in Spike Lee's "Malcolm X," as Betty Shabazz, the wife of the black Muslim leader.

After beating out such actresses as Halle Berry and Robin Givens for the part of Tina Turner, Bassett had only a month to prepare before shooting began. She said she watched every available video clip of Turner, and read "I, Tina" several times.

She said she met Turner twice, and the singer gave her pointers on everything from the wig and outfits to wear in the film to dancing steps and stage style. "She came and did my makeup," said Bassett. "Totally supportive. She was my biggest fan."

Bassett said she never asked Turner about her relationship with her husband Ike. "She was a country girl," said Bassett. "She watched her father beat her mother, and until you see something else that's the norm."

(Although Turner cooperated in the making of the film, and is shown in concert at the end of it, she had said she didn't particularly want to see it because she lived through it. Ike Turner also said he didn't plan to see the movie. "I'm not ashamed of nothing I did with her," he told Entertainment Weekly about Turner.)

What was especially intimidating, Bassett said, was trying to resemble "this beautiful, gorgeous woman with Indian features and high cheekbones at 50-something." Bassett — whose muscles in the film are

evident — rigorously worked out with free weights and went on a monthlong diet that basically involved "chicken breasts without the skin, broccoli, brown rice and some kind of alternative cheese that you wouldn't recognize," she said.

"The trouble with Tina is she never watched what she ate but has this incredible metabolism," Bassett said. "She's got more energy now than I did when I was 4 years old. Her touring schedule was her workout."

The actress fractured her hand during the grueling days of filming. She soaked her feet in ice during two 17-hour days of shooting the "Proud Mary" musical number in spike heels.

Bassett, who is single, said growing up in the South helped her enormously in understanding Turner, who spent her childhood in Nutbus, Tennessee, and then St. Louis, Missouri.

"We're two Southern girls," she said with a laugh. "Tina's a black woman from the South, and so am I. Tina went through abuse, and I've seen it. I know it."

PEOPLE

Spotlight on Hallday: Checks Under Scrutiny

Heeereeee's Johnny! It's been Johnny Hallday mania in the French media as France's durable rock star turned 50. But now Johnny's in the soup, charged with abuse of business assets after he allegedly wrote more than half a million dollars worth of personal checks on money borrowed to open a restaurant. According to court officials, Hallday, whose 50th birthday concert June 18 drew some 60,000 fans in Paris, bought a restaurant concession from the city of Paris. Then he and an associate negotiated a bank loan for 3 million francs for the company, after which Hallday reportedly wrote personal checks adding up to the amount.

Keep your eyes on the newsworld. Demi Moore, who accepts \$1 million for a night of love from Robert Redford in "Indecent Proposal," is pregnant again. It will be the third child for Moore, 30, and husband Bruce Willis, 38. The last time Moore was pregnant she appeared nude on the August 1991 cover of Vanity Fair.

The San Francisco Symphony has appointed Michael Tilson Thomas, 49, as the symphony's music director beginning in 1995. He will succeed Herbert Blomstedt.

Prince Charles opened Wednesday a controversial art gallery in St. Ives, a vacation town and artists' colony in southwest England. The Tate Gallery will show works from his sister galleries in London and Liverpool. Some locals have called the gleaming white building an "eyesore" and said the £3.3 million (\$4.85 million) would have been better spent on a swimming pool.

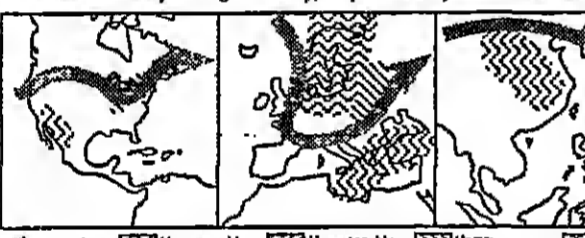
Country music superstar Conway Twitty, who wrote that love is "only make believe," left his two wives out of his will, according to the papers filed in a Tennessee court. Twitty, who died on June 5 at the age of 59, left \$50,000 to his mother and the rest of his estimated \$10 million estate to his four children.

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WEATHER

Forecast for Friday through Sunday, as provided by Accu-Weather.



North America A cooling sea breeze will reach San Francisco Friday. Los Angeles will remain hot Friday, but should turn a bit cooler over the weekend. Hot, humid weather will remain across the eastern United States this weekend. Thunderstorms will rumble through Detroit, Toronto and Pittsburgh.

Europe Western Europe, including Paris and London, will have sunny, pleasant weather this weekend. Cool air will plunge southward through Scandinavia and into northern Germany and Poland. Heavy rain will soak northwestern Russia, while hot weather dominates southern Europe.

Asia Typhoon Karyn is set to pass by the east of the Philippines this weekend, but it will be a close call. Hong Kong to Shanghai will be hot and humid with a brief thunderstorm. Beijing will be sunny and hot. Tokyo will have a passing shower or two while Sapporo is damp and cool.

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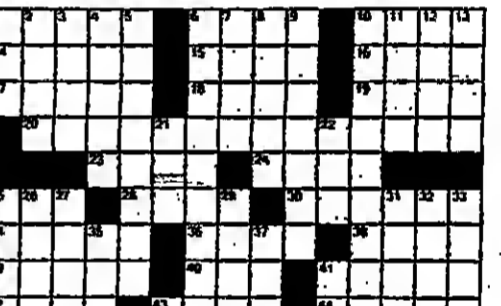
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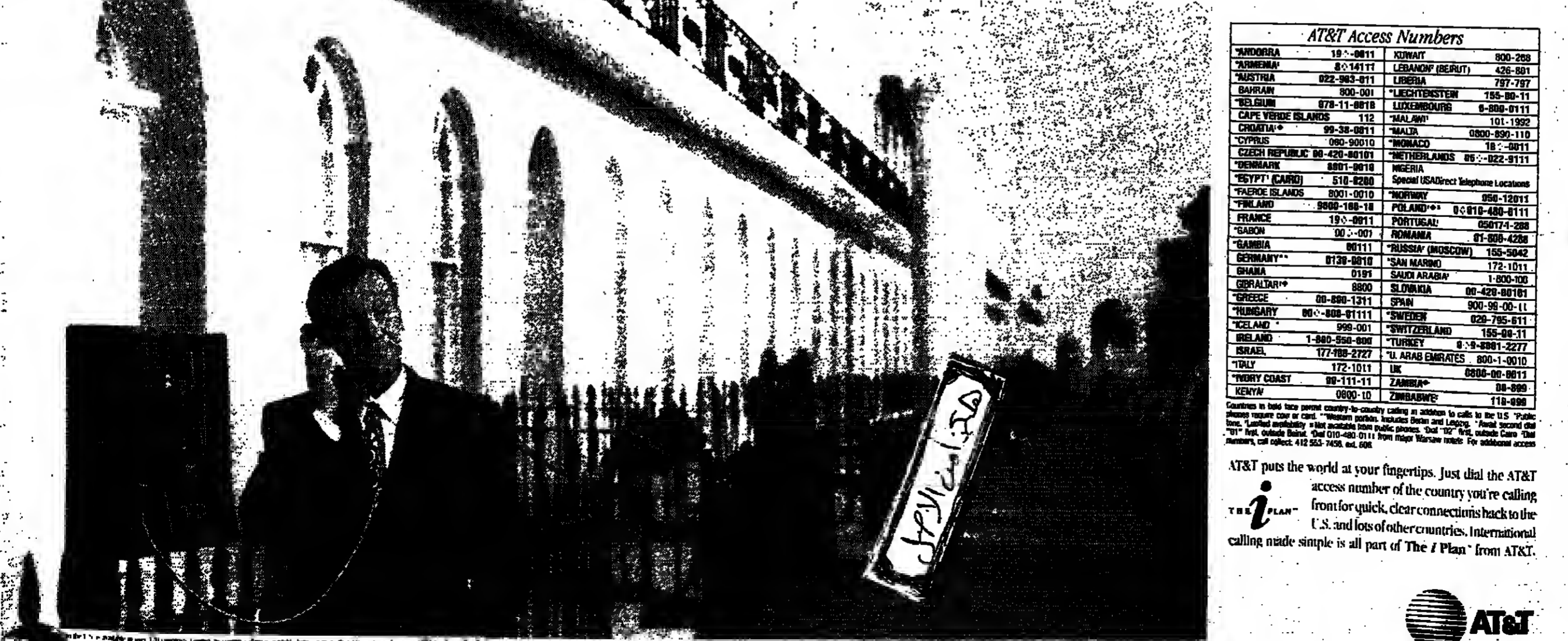


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